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## Doughty escorted from school meeting

Angry crowd demands superintendent's ouster; no business conducted

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

### VENICE

With an angry crowd shouting "Doughty got to go," Venice School Superintendent James Doughty was escorted to his car and out of town by police

after Thursday's School Board meeting.

No business was conducted at the meeting, which lasted about 45 minutes.

About 80 angry residents and parents crowded into the board room, but the board adjourned rather than move the meeting to a larger place.

Board President Alvester

Salmond said the meeting was adjourned because they would not have been able to conduct business.

"We didn't feel we could hold the meeting in an orderly fashion," she said. "Probably the board members will get together and set up a time to hear the people's concerns."

School Board member Metro

Pierion said something needs to be done about the situation.

"It's continuing to boil over," she said. "I don't think it's going to stop until we hear them."

When the meeting began at 7 p.m., the board room was standing room only and more people were coming in. Several residents asked that the

meeting be moved to the gym to accommodate the crowds, but the board voted twice not to move the meeting.

Residents complained that the board should have anticipated the large crowds.

After much discussion and arguing between parents and board members, the board voted to adjourn the meeting

after being advised by police officers that they should move it to a larger place.

All the votes were 4-2, with Salmond, Karen Matkins, Sandra Harris and James Harrell on one side and Metro Pierion and William Tyler on

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Granite City High School students Sarah Breidenbach, left, and Robyn Slater look on as veterinary technician April Porter, right, and Dr. Larry Davis, a veterinarian at Animal Care Center on Maryville Road, perform a procedure on an animal as part of a job-shadowing program offered at GCHS.

Scott Cousins photo

## Job shadowing program gives job experience

GCHS students get learning opportunities

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Sarah Breidenbach wants to work with animals, but she found out Thursday that not every animal-related job would be for her.

Now in its fifth year, the program allows students to spend the entire day with somebody in their chosen career field. Students are required to apply for the program and those selected must go through an interview and placement process.

### GRANITE CITY

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## GC School Board suspends Riebold

'Insubordination' cited for move

The continuing controversy over the transfer of a popular Granite City High School teacher has taken another twist.

### GRANITE CITY

Cathy Riebold, the GCHS teacher who was transferred by the district to Grigsby Middle School for disciplinary reasons, was suspended by the Granite City School District for two days for what the board called

"insubordination."

Tom Holloway, the district's administrative assistant for secondary education, said that Riebold's suspension had nothing to do with Riebold and her supporters attending the last two board meetings.

Rhonda Tripler, who has been in support of Riebold from the beginning, said that Riebold

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Tim Stephenson photo

## These are nuns?

They sure are, especially in the Granite City Summerstage production of "Nunsense A-Ment," the all-male version of the rollicking musical comedy "Nunsense." The play will be staged at the Summerstage theatre, 2906 Pershing Ave., at 7:30 p.m. March 19 and 20 and at 2 p.m. March 21. Tickets are \$7 and can be reserved by calling the box office at 451-1032.

## Teacher leaves gift to Granite schools

Balen: Kids benefit from Edwards

By Mike Heil  
Staff writer

### GRANITE CITY

When Elizabeth Edwards retired from the Granite City School District in 1983, she left behind 19 years of service to students who she cared for and who she enjoyed educating.

Now, thanks to the generosity of Edwards, the district is nearly a half-million dollars richer today.

When Edwards died last year, she left behind \$450,000 to the Granite City and Jerseyville school districts. Granite City School Board members Tuesday accepted the gift at their meeting.

Granite City School Superintendent Steve Balen said he was flabbergasted when he learned about the money.

"My first reaction was, 'wow,'" he said. "This will give students in the district a chance to further their

education. Everybody in the district is extremely grateful to Mrs. Edwards."

Balen said the money will be used as a loan program in which students will pay back the money loaned to them.

"This is what she wanted, but we won't know when we will receive the money or how it will be used through the loan," he said. "We will be able to answer those questions in April when the will is probated."

The money will be used, Balen said, for students who are "academically in mid-range" and who do not have the "monetary means" to further their education.

"The money will send a lot of kids to school who would not have had the chance," Balen said. Balen said that Edwards believed gifted students could easily pursue their educational goals because of their "intellectual abilities."

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From left, Madison Police Chief Steve Skoklo and Sgt. Richard Ballew are given certificates of appreciation by Madison Mayor John Hamm, right, at Tuesday's Madison City Council meeting. The two were cited for their efforts in preventing a suicide at the Chain of Rocks Bridge recently. Two other officers were also honored at the meeting.

## Four Madison police officers honored at council meeting

Efforts in robbery, suicide prevention cited

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

**PONTON BEACH**  
Four Madison police officers were honored for their actions in two separate incidents at Tuesday's City Council Meeting.

Sgt. Chris Burns, Patrolman Jim Hutchings, Sgt. Richard Ballew and Chief Steve Skoklo were given certificates of appreciation. Burns and Hutchings were honored for their efforts in the capture of Torrey S. Prothro, 24, a Madison man accused of robbing a convenience store with a handgun Jan. 15. Prothro is in custody in the Madison County jail awaiting trial on that and several other charges. Prothro allegedly entered the store and asked the clerk for matches and change to make a telephone call. The clerk told police she went to get the matches, but when she turned back around Prothro "slammed" a gun to the counter and demanded money. He left the store with about \$375.

He then allegedly ripped the store's telephone out and fled, but was spotted by a Venice

police officer who had just pulled into the parking lot. According to a letter read at the council meeting, the two officers were searching the area when they saw Prothro running in the 1100 block of Washington Avenue. The two chased and eventually caught Prothro. The officers also recovered all of the stolen money. The letter said the two showed "the quality, alertness

and dependability of our police officers."

Ballew and Skoklo were honored for talking a man out of jumping off the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge March 3. At about 8:30 p.m., Ballew was dispatched to the bridge to check an alarm. He found a suicidal man hanging over the river on the bridge's superstructure. Ballew and Skoklo were able to convince the man not to jump.

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## Denham's name stays on Pontoon Beach April ballot

By Curtis A. Hartley  
Staff writer

Jim Denham's name will remain on the ballot for mayor of Pontoon Beach following a ruling Friday by Madison County Associate Judge James Hackett.

**MADISON**  
Hackett upheld the decision of the Pontoon Beach Election Board on an objection filed by Pontoon Beach Police Chief Mike Crouch.

Crouch asked the Election Board to remove Denham's name from the ballot, citing Denham's failure to number the pages of nominating petitions and because he filed as an independent candidate, though he is a member of the New Beginnings Party.

The Electoral Board voted 2-1 that these "technicalities" did not justify removing Denham's name, a decision Crouch appealed. The appeal was the subject of a two-hour hearing Thursday before Hackett.

A motion to remove the Pontoon Beach Election Board's attorney was the opening salvo in the contentious hearing. Two of three Election Board members — Village Clerk Mary Rowden and Trustee Irene Karlechik, the chairman — met during a special meeting last Sunday to hire an attorney for the Election Board. Trustee Bob Abel, the third member, did not attend that meeting.

At last Tuesday's Pontoon Beach Village Board meeting, the board voted 4-3 against Karlechik and Rowden's decision. Brian Polinske, Pontoon Beach Village Attorney, claimed that without the village board's approval, the Election Board could not hire its own attorney. Abel sat with Polinske during Thursday's hearing.

Only the village board has the authority to extend money to hire an attorney, Polinske said. "The village has never extended that authority to the election board," Casper Nighossian, representing the Election Board, argued that by default, the commission was left without representation, giving it the right to hire its own attorney.

"Mr. Polinske hasn't filed notice to appear (on behalf of the Election Board), so he has no authority to represent the Election Board," Nighossian said.

Hackett didn't address either motion, saying in his three-page order that most of the issues raised within the hearing did not require a decision to be made. He ruled only on Denham's retention as a candidate.

Attorneys representing Crouch and Denham entered the melee where all four attorneys sparred over representation, statutory time limits and state court precedents in the hearing.

Denham, who was not present, could not be reached for comment.

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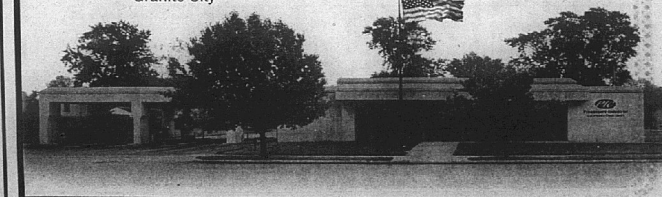
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# Madison orders crackdown on slack out-of-town landlords

Some 300 citations being issued, mayor says

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Landlords in the city of Madison who are not in compliance with building or health codes are facing fines and the possible loss of their occupancy permits.

## MADISON

An estimated 300 citations are expected to be issued in the coming week, said Mayor John Hamm.

At Tuesday's City Council meeting, Hamm said they are starting to crack down on out-of-town landlords who do not keep up their property.

"The push right now is to get landlords into compliance," he said. "I feel they get a pretty good harvest of money off of our community, they should come into compliance with our ordinances."

"The push right now is to get landlords into compliance. I feel they get a pretty good harvest of money off our community, they should come into compliance with our ordinances."

John Hamm  
Madison Mayor

Problems with absentee landlords are an ongoing concern in Madison.

Of the approximately 2,400 residential properties in the city, about 1,000 are rentals, many with a high turnover rate.

Those not in compliance face fines of \$50 to \$750. The cases will be handled through the city's administrative hearing system.

Hamm said the next scheduled hearing date is March 27, and it will probably

be very crowded.

"It will be a pack-your-lunch type situation," he said.

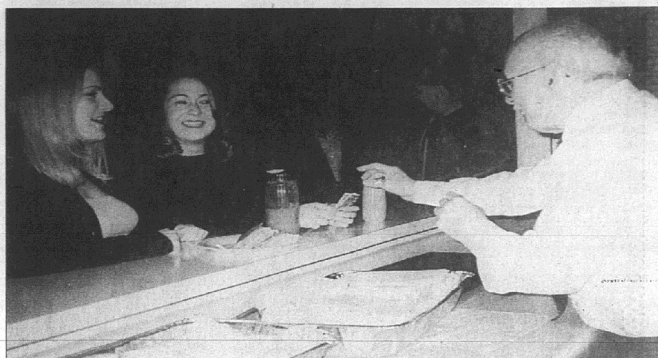
Because of the expected high number of cases, the council approved hiring attorney Scott Cain as a backup hearing officer.

However, Hamm said citations can be handled before the hearing date.

"If they come into compliance, there won't be a fine," Hamm said. "I feel it's only fair to have them come into compliance because we have a large number of landlords who are (in compliance)."

Hamm also said that landlords who do not come into compliance may lose their occupancy permits or new permits will not be issued if there are outstanding citations.

In other business, the council a bid of \$4,502 to remove old fuel tanks from the city garage and former city hall on Third Street.



Shirley Valencia photo

## In memory of Joe

Granite City Mexican Honorary Commission President John Valencia serves up tacos to a pair of party-goers at the recent MHC Joseph Gonzalez Scholarship Fund Dance at the AMVETS Hall in Madison. Proceeds from the event go to the fund, which is named for a Granite City High School counselor who was killed in a 1971 auto accident. Some 400 people were in attendance at the event.

## Two Pontoon men arrested after local vandalism spree

By Mike Heil  
Staff writer

Two persons who vandalized the Granite City area Tuesday and Wednesday remain in Madison County Jail, with bail set at \$50,000.

William Helm, 19, of 7 Barbara Court, Pontoon Beach,

and Joseph Wachtelmann, 17, of 29 Fountainbleu, Pontoon Beach, were charged Thursday with six counts of auto burglary and one count each of garage burglary and offenses relating to motor vehicles. According to Granite City police, officers who responded to the 3300 block of Colgate

Avenue Wednesday in reference to a car break-in saw one of two suspects smash a window of a parked car with a baseball bat. The suspects fled, according to the report, in a blue vehicle after taking items from the vehicle. They were apprehended at gunpoint.

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# City tallies expense of pope's visit

Cost runs more than \$1.5 million

By Clayton Berry  
Staff writer

The City of St. Louis has to come up with more than \$1 million to recoup the expenses of Pope John Paul II's visit here Jan. 26 and 27.

The city spent \$1,558,274 for the historic two-day event. Current departmental budgets will be able to absorb \$446,682 of that cost, said Frank Jackson, the city's budget director.

The city's Board of Estimate and Apportionment must allocate the rest as a supplemental appropriation: \$1,111,592. The papal expenses were not expected when the current \$360 million budget was prepared. The estimate board will meet again March 17. The allocation request is expected to be submitted at a future meeting.

Some people have been critical of the expense involved in the papal visit. Officials at the Regional Commerce and Growth Association (RCGA), however, had estimated a regional impact of \$25 million. RCGA spokesman Gary Broome said the organization's chief economist is comparing hotel receipts from January 1999 to January 1998 to accurately measure the financial impact.

Ed Davis, a spokesman for St. Louis Mayor Clarence Harmon, said the administration was pleased with the handling of the event and did not balk at the cost.

"This was money that was spent on a good cause," Davis said. "You can't buy that kind of coverage."

The street department incurred the most expense, more than \$500,000, which was mostly for overtime pay. Overtime also was a major portion of the expenditures of the city police and fire departments.

Bi-State Development Agency officials estimate the visit cost the agency between \$650,000 and \$700,000. Linda Hancock, director of communications, said MetroLink service was extended to 24 hours during the event. She said ridership doubled from a normal January weekday of 33,000 commuters to an average of 66,700 for both days of the visit. Bi-State also transported 12,000 people on special bus routes.

To prepare for the visit, the federal government provided a \$405,599 grant to purchase anti-terrorism equipment. The high-tech gear grant nearly bypassed the city until the papal visit was confirmed. The equipment may continue to be used by the police and fire departments. The federal government also paid \$50,000 to send city officials to Maryland for training.

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# Briggs blasts tax cap vote plan

'It's just a bad piece of legislation,' county school chief says

By Paul Mackie  
Staff writer

Voters hoping to lower their tax bills by supporting tax caps on the April 13 ballot may receive a "shock" in 2000, officials say.

## MADISON COUNTY

"This isn't good for anyone. It's just a bad piece of legislation," said Harry Briggs, Madison County regional superintendent of schools. "It will be a tax shock in the year 2000."

Schools would be the most affected entity within the county if voters approve a tax cap. Of the \$169 million in real estate taxes collected within Madison County in the last fiscal year, about \$100 million went to schools.

"I don't believe tax caps are a true property-tax relief proposal. It's misleading and full of loopholes. I believe people should not vote (for caps)," Briggs said.

On Thursday, the County Board's Legislative Committee discussed ways to inform voters about the pros and cons of tax caps.

The board will hold an informational meeting for the public on April 8 in Edwardsville. An exact time and meeting place have not yet been verified.

Committee members suggested that Briggs and the Edwardsville Area League of Women Voters might be interested in helping inform the public about tax caps.

League President Meg Oberlag said, "We're going to voice our opinion against (tax caps). We'll write letters to the editors in April. On the surface, (tax caps) look good. They mislead voters into thinking (caps) hold taxes at their present rate, which isn't necessarily true."

Oberlag said tax caps may limit money for projects and services within the county, which could cause municipalities to create loopholes by forming new taxing districts for funding purposes.

In a breakdown from County Treasurer Fred Balbon, property taxes are distributed within the county as follows:

- 60 percent to schools.
- 16 percent to cities and villages.
- 11 percent to county government.
- 6 percent to townships.
- 7 percent to miscellaneous districts such as fire protection, libraries and parks.

Although County Board members said they will stay neutral on the issue, many fear it will pass when voters read what board members say is complicated wording on the ballot, such as "tax" and "limits" side by side.

Briggs said tax caps will be unfair because Alton and Granite City — home-rule cities — will be allowed to vote on the issue, but won't be affected by it. He also said it doesn't affect school districts, such as Alton's, which overlap into other counties.

"It's unfair that people vote on something that doesn't affect them," Briggs said.

"When you look at the school district levies over the past few years, we've been pretty good to the taxpayers. (With tax caps), there will be a decline of services five years down the road."

On the other side, County Board member Steve Stobbs, R-Godfrey, said tax caps will create a safeguard against large financial allocations. With a cap, a controversy like the one late last year in which some county employees received raises of as much as 8.8 percent won't be possible.

# March of Dimes walk planned for April 24

By Scott Marlon  
Staff writer

It's time to put on your walking shoes for the March of Dimes.

The 29th annual WalkAmerica, a fund-raising event for the third-largest volunteer health agency in the nation, will be held Saturday, April 24 at three locations in the Metro East: Melvin Price Park in Belleville, Edwardsville Middle School and Gordon Moore Park in Alton. Registration at all three sites starts at 8 a.m., with the official start at 9 a.m.

Our goal for this year is to raise \$40,000 in Belleville with 700 walkers, \$55,000 in Edwardsville with 800 walkers and \$39,000 in Alton with 600 walkers," said Paul Berchoff, Metro East division director for the Greater Missouri Chapter of the March of Dimes. "Each year we try to increase our numbers by 5 percent from the previous year."

"WalkAmerica started with one walk in Ohio and now it's in 1,500 communities

nationwide. We raised about \$75 million last year. Chapter-wise, we hope to raise \$1.2 million this year after raising \$1 million last year."

Many aspects of WalkAmerica haven't changed since its inception, but there have been some refinements. "Years ago, it used to be 20 to 25 miles because it was a pledge walk, where people pledged a certain amount on money for every mile a person walked," Berchoff said. "But eight or nine years ago, it became a pre-paid walk so we could shorten it."

"The average distance is about 6 and a half miles, although Belleville has a new route this year and is a little longer at seven miles. You can walk as an individual or as part of a team."

WalkAmerica participants who collect money from friends, family and co-workers can turn in their registration packets on walk day.

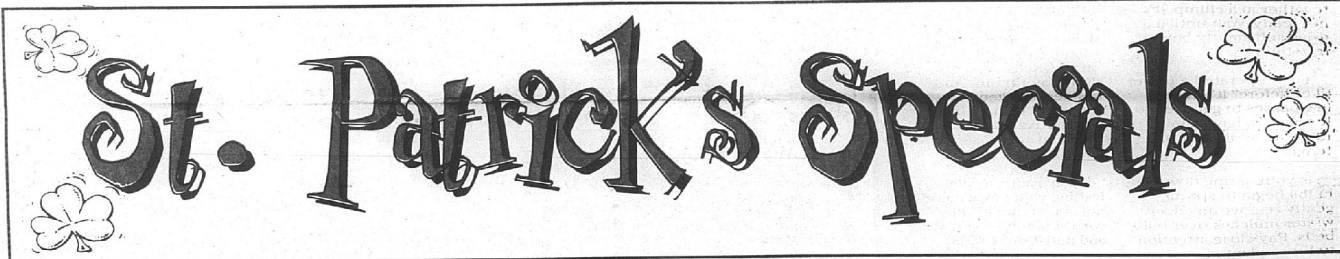
Roho Inc. of Belleville, which manufactures dry flotation cushions and

mattresses, is the Metro East sponsor for all three WalkAmerica sites. Registration packets are available at any Bank of Edwardsville branch or by calling the March of Dimes office in O'Fallon (624-3638).

Because the March of Dimes is volunteer-based, a larger portion of the money raised at WalkAmerica and other events goes directly toward the organization's primary goal: fighting birth defects.

"Only a few of us actually work for the March of Dimes, and our job is to coordinate the volunteers," Berchoff said. "Seventy-five percent of each dollar (raised through WalkAmerica) goes back into the community."

"A lot of times, people don't realize how they were affected by the March of Dimes. But everyone has had a polio shot or rubella shot, and that's because of the March of Dimes. Babies take the PKU test (for mental retardation) because of the March of Dimes."



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"I wanted to get my mom a St. Patrick's Day gift that would remind her of her childhood in the green hills of County Westmeath," says Marie O'Brien, a nurse and mother of two. "That wasn't easy, because she lives with us in Arizona. So I ordered her some genuine Irish foods and folk music from a catalog."

"I'd never seen my mother's eyes sparkle as they did when she opened those gifts. The kids loved hearing her tell stories of her early life in Ireland that the gifts brought to mind. "Now I am really sold on catalog shopping. A few weeks before the holiday, I order St. Patrick's Day house decorations and gifts for Mom and my Irish friends. I also recommend catalogs to friends who become Irish for the day."

With Americans of all nationalities poised to honor the land of shamrocks, leprechauns and Celtic lore (in actuality, an estimated 50 million Americans can legitimately claim an auto-country link), it doesn't take the legendary luck of the Irish to find unique and decorative St. Patrick's Day products. All it takes, says the Direct Marketing Association's A Blankenship, is a catalog.

"Everything you need to throw a St. Patrick's Day party, put together a parade-marching or watching outfit, or send fine Irish linen or a crystal gift, is available through catalogs and their Web sites," says Blankenship, director of The DMA Shop-at-Home Information Center.

"You'll find Irish-related products you might never have known you could get without hopping a plane overseas. Instead, you don't even have to leave your house: one phone, fax, mail or online order can have your products delivered to your home, or to a gift recipient, with the same ease as a catalog order."

For more information on online shopping and other consumer topics, log onto The DMA Web Site at <http://www.shoptheDMA.org>. Skilled, knowledgeable service is also a hallmark of catalogs, says Blankenship. At the Creative Irish Gifts catalog, for example, customer service representatives go out of their way to find or re-order out-of-stock

items at a customer's request.

"We have a very close relationship with the people who order from us," says company president Diane O'Connor. "We also make several buying trips a year to Ireland, so we're sure to have authentic, one-of-a-kind items that will meet their needs."

So involved in Irish culture is the Ohio-based company that a portion of proceeds from Creative Irish Gifts' sales supports the activities of the Irish Children's Fund, Inc., a not-for-profit organization that fosters understanding between Protestant and Catholic youngsters in Belfast.

Best-sellers at Creative Irish Gifts this St. Patrick's Day holiday will be: heavy Celtic wool sweaters; jewelry adorned with shamrocks, claddags (a traditional Irish design) and Celtic knots; an assortment of genuine Irish cakes, breads and puddings; and "how-to" videos covering the Irish language, step dancing and tin whistle playing.

At the Personal Creations catalog, you'll find a naturally grown and preserved four-leaf clover mounted and matted in a frame personalized with your family name. The Lillian Vernon catalog has place mats and napkins with a shamrock design, as well as a shamrock wreath to welcome your St. Patrick's Day guests.

When they arrive, offer them corned beef brisket from Omaha Steaks, or for dessert, delicious brownies from the Fairytale Brownies catalog. Recommended viewing while munching Fairytale brownies: The "Fairies & Leprechauns" video from The Lighter Side, one of that catalog's three-volume "Legends of Ireland" video set.

For a literal wearin' of the green, order a tunic and pants set in deep forest green linen from Coldwater Creek, or the minty skirt and twin sweater set from Nicole Summers. Original Trading Company (perhaps known as O'riental on levels dry only) carries derbies and felt "stovepipe" hats covered with shamrocks. They're ideal for parade-watching as are the catalog's holiday buttons and pinwheels.

# Variety of books provide insight into Irish culture and people

Looking for a new way to celebrate Irish culture on St. Patrick's Day this year? Thanks to Ireland's effect on the muse of hundreds of authors, readers can immerse themselves in Irish landscapes, people and spirit by reading about it in works of fiction.

Countless novels — set in Ireland and peopled with the Irish — make planning an international flight to the UK unnecessary, and green beer and green attire optional.

"Ireland is a land of contrasts," says New York Times best-selling author Nora Roberts, author of the Ireland-set, award-winning trilogy, "Born in Fire, Born in Ice and Born in Shame."

"Windswept cliffs, rolling green fields, thatched roof cottages and the ruins of great castles; it's a land of legend," she says. "The sun can shine through the rain there and turn the light into magic. Is it any wonder this canvas is used so often to paint a story?"

Roberts says Ireland is an irresistible muse to herself and other authors because of its unique charm.

"The jigs, the pubs, the narrow country roads and the green, green fields patchworked with stone fences; it has it's great cities, too; its troubles and its tendency to brood," Roberts says her own roots are Irish, a heritage, she says, characteristic for

storytelling.

"I had an old woman, Irish as Paddy's pig, once tell me, with no little pride, that the Irish were bards when the rest of the world still huddled in caves."

"As the world moves toward another century, there is this place that holds its traditions dear, and where people speak with music in their voices. For a storyteller, this is very fertile ground," Roberts says.

Roberts, the award-winning author of more than 130 romance novels, turns her talents again to an Irish setting and characters in a trilogy of contemporary romances set to be released in November 1999.

The opening book in the trilogy is *Jewels of the Sun* (Jove). Other recommended March reads for Irish settings and characters include: "Uncertain Magic" by Laura Kinsale (Avon Books); "Lady Reckless" by Leslie LaFoy (Bantam Books); and "The Princess and the Damsel," both by Claire Delacroix (Del).

Nora Roberts and the authors listed above are members of the non-profit Writers' Association Romance Writers of America.

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## Riebold suspended by GC School Board

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found out she was suspended without pay when she was handed a letter from a Grigby administrator. The letter, Tippler said, was from Granite City School Board Superintendent Steve Balen. Riebold could not be reached for comment.

Tuesday night, Riebold's supporters once again found themselves in the hallway after the Granite City School Board called an executive

session for the second consecutive board meeting.

It was called shortly after the meeting began to address issues concerning negotiations, legal matters and personnel decisions.

Many Riebold supporters, however, thought the session was called to deny them an opportunity to speak on Riebold's behalf.

Sindy Cochran, one of about 30 Riebold supporters attending, voiced her

displeasure by saying the board never had any intention to let them speak, even though there was suppose to be dialogue.

"They lied. They knew they weren't going to give us an opportunity to say what was on our minds. This is disgraceful," Cochran said.

Pam Pool, whose daughter attends Granite City High School, said because of the way the district handled Riebold's transfer she no longer has confidence in the board and would like to see personnel changes.

"We feel the board members don't care about the kids anymore. We feel a change is needed," Pool said.

## Late teacher's gift benefits GC students

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Edwards believed that everyone should have a chance to pursue their "dreams and ambitions through education."

Edwards taught second grade at Niedringhaus Elementary School from 1964 to 1983. Her small classroom was comprised of about 30 students.

People who knew her well said she was "dedicated to education" and was "kind and generous."

Linda Mizell, a resource teacher at Niedringhaus who taught second grade in the early 1960s with Edwards, said she wasn't surprised to learn that the former schoolteacher had willed the school such a large amount of money.

"Education was a big part of (Elizabeth Edwards') life."

Linda Mizell  
Former colleague

"Education was a big part of her life," Mizell said. "She had money and she used it for something she really cared for and loved."

Mizell recalled that Edwards was loved by her students and well-liked by her peers.

"She was a mother hen," Mizell said. "The kids hugged her in the morning, and many of them came back to see her as teenagers and adults."

"The people she worked with found her warm and kind. She was the type of person who would go out of

her way to help somebody in need."

Kathy Lenz, who taught first grade at Niedringhaus in the late 1960s and early 1970s, said she knew Edwards well.

"She was a generous person. Now she's spread her generosity so students in the district can have a brighter future," Lenz said.

"That's how she was. She thought of others."

Edwards died in May after a long bout with diabetes. She had lost a toe and a leg because of the disease.

## Pre-Spring Tips by the experts at FRANK'S NURSERY & CRAFTS

Where Beautiful Things Begin

Anything can happen in the month of March. A balmy, spring-like day can be followed by one with three inches of snow. But nonetheless, for the most part, March signals the real beginning of the serious outdoor work.

If you plan on rototilling, give the soil a test before renting the machine. Pick up a clump of garden soil and gently squeeze it in your hand. If it crumbles apart when you open your hand, it's ready for cultivation. If it's moist and stays packed together in a clump, it's not ready. Wait until it dries sufficiently before rototilling.

Never operated a power tiller before? It'll take a few passes to get used to. It seems to have a mind of its own, but it's not that tough.

As your spring flowering bulbs begin to sprout, gently remove any deep winter mulches over bulb beds. Pay close attention to those planted near south and west sides of your home, since they'll most likely sprout first, due to the warmer ground temperatures.

Light mulches can be left in place as long as they aren't threatening to damage emerging shoots. Once winter has had its say and has bid us adieu, the mulches can be removed.

If you haven't prepared your garden tools yet, do so as soon as possible, so they'll be ready when you are.

Have you checked your outdoor furniture? Perhaps some could stand a coat of paint or two. Maybe some bolts need retightening. After all, you don't want to lie down in that nice relaxing chaise on the first day and have it buckle and slowly collapse beneath you.

On the subject of chaises, ask anyone what it's called, and chances are they'll tell you it's a chaise lounge. Wrong! Check the spelling. It's actually "longue." But since the word "lounge" sounds and fits the situation better, "lounge" is fine.

If you've been procrastinating, waiting for the cold weather to break, March offers the opportunity you and/or your spouse have been waiting for. The outdoor Christmas lights can finally be taken down!

Don't neglect the birds. If you've been feeding them throughout the winter, they're depending on you, so don't disappoint them. And besides, the gentle sounds of nearby birds can captivate and proclaim spring's arrival like nothing else.

If you aren't actively feeding wild birds, why not start now? Frank's carries plenty of houses and nutritious foods.

Examine your trellises. Winter may have caused some unseen damage. Make necessary repairs or replacements now.

There's plenty of gardening activity in the weeks ahead, so be sure to watch this column for the valuable tips from the experts at Frank's!

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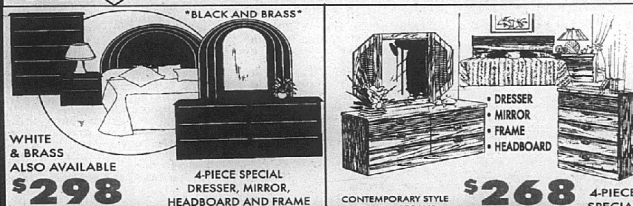
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## Shadowing program growing

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Sarah and Robyn Slater spent the day at Animal Care Center on Maryville Road. "I know I wanted to work with animals, so I thought about going into veterinary practice," Sarah said.

During the day, Breidenbach watched animals be spayed, declawed and have dental work. She found that being a veterinarian may not be for her.

"I like working with the animals, but I'm not too crazy about the surgery and watching all that blood," Breidenbach said. "I'm not too crazy about seeing animals or people or anything get cut up. I'll go into something with animals, but not anything where I have to cut them open."

While Slater is not sure exactly what she wants to do, she said veterinary work "kind of appeals to me."

"I'm not sure yet," she said. "It doesn't really bother me — I thought it was kind of interesting."

GCIS Assistant Principal Cindy Gagich said the program is "phenomenal."

"This is a program that the kids are looking forward to," she said. "There is a lot of excitement."

In many cases, she said teachers tie job shadowing into classroom activities.

"When you have that kind of buy-in, enthusiasm is going to spread," Gagich said.

While educational for those who take part, the program also requires a lot of work and cooperation. "It's a program that couldn't exist without all of the support we get from the business community and the staff at the high school," Gagich said.

Bob Maxwell of National Steel's Granite City Division, who is a former administrator in the Granite City School District and whose company was one of the first major participants, is also pleased with the program.

"I think it's important that students see what's going on in the community and the different kinds of jobs that are available," Maxwell said. "At Granite City Steel, we have a small city here. We have about all the crafts and types of jobs you can find anywhere right here in this complex."

## Doughty's oyster demanded

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the other. Board member Tyrone Q. Echols, who normally votes with Pierson and Tyler, was not at the meeting.

The police had been called by angry parents. Eventually, about 15-20 officers from the Madison, Venice and Brooklyn police departments and the Illinois State Police were called in.

Many residents have called for Doughty's removal as superintendent since the suspension of Venice High School Principal Annette Alexander Feb. 23.

Doughty remained silent during the meeting before he was escorted from the building.

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# Opinions



**Sound Off**  
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## Rainy Day Fund should be started before downturn

Illinois one of five states without such a provision

By State Rep. Jay Hoffman

Should the state of Illinois save money for a rainy day? I believe the answer is yes. I am currently co-sponsoring legislation with Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan and Illinois Comptroller Dan Hynes to create Illinois' first Rainy Day Fund.

The legislation would create a reserve of money so the state could pay its bills even if the state's incoming revenues stall in the event of an economic downturn. Illinois is just one of five states in the entire nation that does not currently put money away for that purpose. I believe it is time Illinois became responsible for its own budget.

Initially, the legislation would start the fund at \$100 million. Over the course of the next seven years, Illinois would then grow this fund to \$200 million.

While this may be a modest start, it is a step in the right direction. Right now, the state expects to have a healthy balance at the end of this fiscal year, so the time is right to get the Rainy Day Fund started. In fact, experts like Alan Greenspan foresee a bright future for the next couple of years.

Unfortunately, while our economy is good now, there is no doubt that this good fortune may someday fade. If this happens, Illinois must be ready. With the establishment of a Rainy Day Fund, the state can continue to pay its bills in a timely manner and prevent increasing debts.

For the taxpayer, this means that the state can refrain from creating any new taxes for a longer period of time. Hopefully, if the downturn is mild and short-lived, the state can refrain from creating any new taxes, period.

This legislation makes Illinois more responsible for its own budget and it will ease the burden on taxpayers when the economy is not so strong.

Each of us works hard to see that our personal accounts are balanced and we prepare in advance to ensure that we can put food on the table for our families after all the bills are paid. The state should be equally, if not more, responsible. After all, it is your money that the state is spending.

The legislation recently was passed out of the Illinois House General Services Appropriations Committee. The legislation now will be heard before the full body of the Illinois House, and I intend to offer it my full support.

If you would like more information on this issue or any other state issue, please feel free to contact me. The Edwardsville office is located at 214 St. Louis Ave., with offices hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. The Edwardsville office number is 692-9710.

The Collinsville office is located at 126 Vandavia, Suite 1, and can be reached at 345-2176. Collinsville office hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Wednesdays, we will also be open from 5:30 to 7 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Please feel free to contact our office if we can be of assistance.

Rep. Steve Davis (D-Collinsville) is a Illinois state representative from the 112th District.



## Letters to the Editor

### Tobacco war far from over

To The Editor:

Just weeks ago, Illinois joined 45 other states and signed an agreement with cigarette manufacturers that settled claims for health care reimbursement cost associated with tobacco-related illnesses. And while some may consider the \$9.1 billion in the settlement as a victory, the war against tobacco in Illinois is far from over.

The American Cancer Society appreciates all the hard work by Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan to bring and keep this public health crisis in the forefront of the nation's attention.

We must now work together and make certain our state leaders implement the public health measures needed to curb cancer caused by tobacco.

It must now be our job and the job of the Illinois legislature to do the right thing with the funds that will come to the state.

For the American Cancer Society, this deal is not about money; rather, it is about protecting the public.

Too many lives in our state are lost to an industry that has

not been honest with our citizens. The funds must be directed to deal with both the adult and youth population of our state.

Illinois now has the opportunity to develop a comprehensive statewide cancer control program that addresses the issue of tobacco in our state.

Now is not the time for politics. It is time we do what is right by securing tough tobacco control policies that will help reduce the damages caused by tobacco to our society.

We must pass laws that strengthen the Illinois Clean Indoor Air Act and laws to license retailers who sell tobacco.

The American Cancer Society pledges to work with our legislators to ensure that the public health is best served by this settlement.

For the Illinois Division of the American Cancer Society, the work involved in prevention is by no means finished.

We will continue to fight for public health measures that will prevent children from using tobacco and help adults stop.

The agreement by the state and the tobacco industry moves us to a different level in

our war, but we still have a long road ahead. Thomas Houston, MD Illinois Division American Cancer Society Chicago

### Time for change in Pontoon Beach

To The Editor:

Until recently, I had been a resident of Pontoon Beach since 1963. I have known the mayors, village trustees and police officers.

Most of them I call friends and was proud to do so until recent years.

When I first learned of the way the "elected" village clerk, Mary Rowden, was being treated by some of the other elected and appointed officials, I was shocked at this behavior and the mayor allowing this to take place. She was moved to a small basement office and her office locks were super-glued.

No one should be forced to work under these types of conditions, including threats from an appointed village official.

This is only a minor part of the hostile work environment inside "your" village hall. Do the residents of Pontoon Beach want to continue allowing these village officials and this type of mentality to represent the village?

I am proud to see that Jim Denham, along with individuals who choose to stand beside him, having the courage to throw their hats in the political arena for a "New Beginning" for the village.

He was a neighbor, a colleague and someone I am

proud to call a friend. If residents knew what has been going on in their village hall by some of the elected and appointed officials, you would say that the president of the United States was a saint.

You, as residents, should take a long, hard look at what needs to change for your village to come together as one. It has been divided far too long, and it's time for a new beginning. You now have a chance to make that difference on April 13.

We are all in awe of the new millennium and the year 2000. The time for Pontoon Beach is now.

Bridgett Ashford Pontoon Beach

Thanks very much for your support

To The Editor:

To past and present members of Granite City Steel and Community Federal Credit Union:

I began my employment with the Credit Union on Oct. 29, 1973, as a junior clerk. Because you are member-owners of the credit union, I always considered you as my employers. Working for you enabled me to raise and educate a family. Thank you.

I learned so much from so many of you through the years of employment. I consider many of you my friends. Thank you.

I retired on March 2, 1999. My last position was member service representative for titles and insurance; that was too much.

Kathleen Beljanski-Ziegler Granite City

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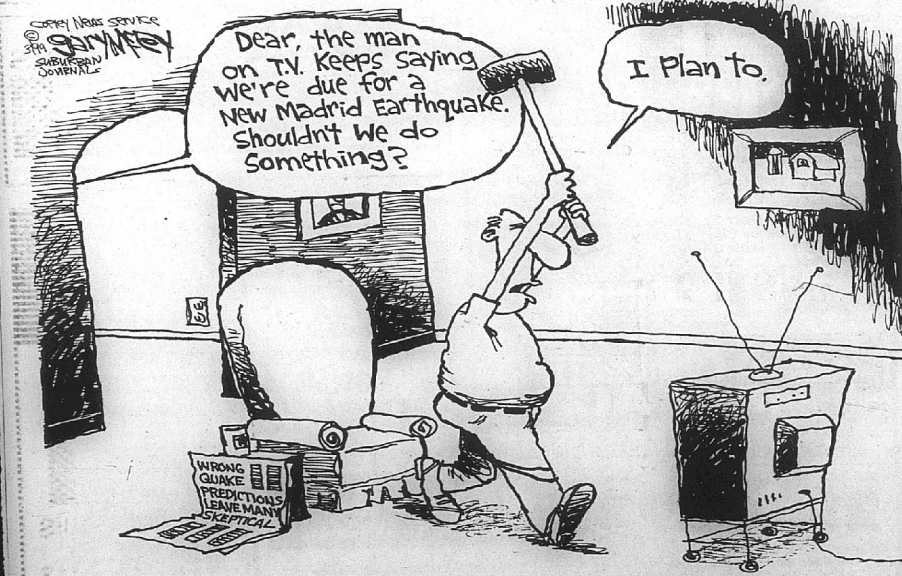
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## Obituaries

Robert Corbett

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He was born in Tennessee. Mr. Corbett served in the military as a sergeant first class in the Army Air Corps, completed two tours in Korea.

Survivors include Ruby Alice (Vivian) Corbett, two sons, Steward of Granite City and Robert of St. Louis, and two daughters, Louise Townzen of St. Louis and Jennifer of St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Corbett, and his mother, Mary Corbett. Services were held at 12 p.m. on March 14 at the Air Force Medical Center.

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## Obituaries

### Robert Corbett

ROBERT R. CORBETT, 66, of Granite City, died at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, 1999, at Scott Air Force Base Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 30, 1930, in Tennessee. Mr. Corbett was retired from the military. He had served as a sergeant first class with the U.S. Army Air Corps, during which he completed two tours of duty in Korea.

Survivors include his mother, Ruby Alice (Wheeler) Corbett of Granite City; two daughters, Alice Steward of Granite City and Catherine Mae Davis of Antioch, Tenn.; two sons, Robert Walter Corbett of Dugway, Utah, and Russell David Corbett of Belleville; a sister, Ruby Louise Townzen of Breese; three brothers, James "Jay" Corbett and Stephen Corbett, both of Granite City, and Terry Jack Corbett of Belleville; four grandchildren, Cessane Davis, Robert Corbett, Holly Wells and Jennifer Corbett; and two great-grandchildren, Christopher and Michael Wells.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Randolph Corbett. Services were held Friday, March 12, at Irwin Chapel, with the Rev. Gary Motta officiating. Burial was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

### Calvin Elmore

CALVIN W. ELMORE, 80, of Granite City, died at 4:37 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, 1999, at St. Mary's Health Center in Richmond Heights.

He was born Dec. 1, 1918, in Granite City and was a life-time resident. Mr. Elmore retired in 1977 from Tri-City Grocery.

Co., where he had worked for 49 years as a truck driver. He was a member of VFW Post 1300, the Granite City Eagles and Teamsters Local 525.

Survivors include a son, Calvin L. Elmore, and a daughter, Shirley Diane Holman, both of Granite City; a sister, Maybelle Young of Alton; a brother, Mitchell Elmore Jr. of Granite City; his companion, Betty Gaines of Granite City; eight grandchildren, Pamela Blason of Gurnee, Steven Elmore of Gurnee, Denise Ripley, Chris Elmore, David Holman, Kathy Holman and Connie Snider, all of Granite City, and Sharon Holman of Fairview Heights; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosalee (Warrack) Elmore; his parents, Mary Cynthia (Randeau) and Mitchell Elmore Sr.; and three sisters, Beulah Bonar, Wanda Sabo and Lucille Weigand.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, March 14, at Irwin Chapel, 3860 Maryville Road, Granite City.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, March 15, at the funeral home, with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Edwardsville.

### Darron Stafford

DARRON LEE "ROADKILL" STAFFORD, 35, of Granite City died at 9:55 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, in Granite City.

He was born Jan. 27, 1960, in St. Louis. Mr. Stafford was a truck driver for R.M. Bowler Contractors in Granite City.

Survivors include his wife, Cheryl (Turner) Stafford; two sons, Darron Lee Stafford Jr. and Joshua Stafford, both of Granite City; a daughter, Natasha Nicole Howell of Granite City; his father and stepmother, James R. and Mary Stafford of Columbia; three brothers, Gerald D. Stafford and Jonathan Stafford,

both of Granite City, and James R. Stafford Jr. of Cahokia; two sisters, Karen Stafford of Granite City and Jackie Hoffman of Red Bud; and his paternal grandfather, Cecil Chism of Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Jackie Houston. Services were held Feb. 20, 1999, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Les Atkins officiating. Burial was in Mt. Lebanon Cemetery in St. Ann, Mo.

### Vicki L. Tanksley

VICKI L. TANKSLEY, 29, of Granite City, died at 6:50 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

She was born March 2, 1970, in Granite City and was a life-time resident. Miss Tanksley was a former poster child for the March of Dimes, a member of the Spina Bifida Association and active in the Special Olympics, where she was both a silver and gold medalist.

Survivors include her parents, Harold Tanksley and Linda (Williams) Tanksley, both of Granite City; a brother, Steve Tanksley of Ballwin, Mo.; and a sister, Julie Tanksley of Granite City.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Charles and Myrtle Tanksley, and her maternal grandparents, Herb and Evelyn Williams.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 13, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Roy Boyer officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to the Spina Bifida Association's St. Louis Chapter.

## Two youths arrested after Granite City man is beaten

### Suspects tried to steal victim's car, police say

By Val McDowell  
Staff writer

Two suspects — including a juvenile — were charged Friday with armed robbery in an incident in which a Granite City man was beaten in an attempted robbery outside a Collinsville motel.

Bond has been set at \$100,000 each for Cesar Burris, 29, of East St. Louis and Corey J. Midgett, 16, of Washington Park, a spokesman for the police department said. Midgett, although a juvenile, will be tried as an adult. Burris has used many aliases, police said.

Burris was transferred from the Collinsville Police Department to the Madison County Jail Friday; Midgett is in the Madison County Detention Center.

The two were apprehended by the Illinois State Police SWAT team an hour after the beating incident Wednesday.

Maj. Ed Delmore, Collinsville's assistant police

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chief, said the two apparently beat the victim after he interrupted their attempt to steal his car outside the Collinsville Best Western motel on Illinois 157.

The men were caught near Fairmount Park racetrack at U.S. 40 and Interstate 255 about 1 p.m. Wednesday after nearly an hour of searching.

Delmore said the victim was painting the hotel when he noticed two men attempting to steal his car.

After the suspects tried to force him into the trunk of the car, he fought them off and they fled on foot. The victim, whose name has not been released, was able to go to the motel and call for help.

When officers arrived, the victim was bleeding, but profusely from the head. He

was treated for that and other injuries and released later that day, Delmore said it could have been worse.

"One of the suspects pulled a gun on him, we're told, but apparently he was beat on the head with a crowbar," Delmore said.

The gun, a .38 caliber five-shot revolver, had four live rounds and one spent casing when it was recovered following the suspects' apprehension.

"At this point, we're not sure where the spent casing went," Delmore said.

Delmore said it appears the two suspects were attempting to steal the car to use as a getaway following a burglary that occurred earlier in the day.

Police believe the pair may have burglarized a home on Plainview in Collinsville.

## Illinois Trekkers opening season

The Illinois Trekkers Volkssport Club will kick off its 1999 schedule of walks with its annual St. Patrick's Day Walk on March 19.

The walk will be on the Belleville East High School walking trail, which is suitable for wagons and strollers and is rated as a 1 (easy) for degree of difficulty.

A 10-kilometer, or 6.2-mile,

trail will be offered, and for those unable to walk this distance, a shorter distance will be available. The start point for the event will be McDonald's, 906 Carlyle Ave., Belleville (across from Belleville East High School).

Walkers may start anytime between 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. and should be finished and off the trail by 8:30 p.m.

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# Edwardsville triplet girl has lupus; fund-raiser scheduled

By Dennis Grubaugh  
Staff writer

Doctors plan an extensive study of a set of 8-year-old triplet girls, one of whom has developed lupus and is the subject of a community fund-raiser.

## METRO-EAST

A benefit is being planned March 20 for Callie Rickard, the daughter of Randy Rickard and Michelle Vieth, both of Edwardsville. Callie is suffering from systemic lupus, a disease that is taking its toll on her kidneys.

"It started out as a rash on her face that wouldn't go away," her father said. "They did a blood test and found a lot of protein in her blood. One thing led to another, and they did a kidney biopsy on her and showed what it was."

Lupus is rare in a child, rarer still in a set of triplets, and doctors want to make sure the disease is not common among Callie's sisters, Abbey and Britney.

"They are going to do a battery of tests. They're going to use the girls as a case study to see if this could be genetic," Vieth said. "We have to find out if the other two have it."

Lupus usually attacks women in their 30s and 40s, she said.

Callie's symptoms were noticed first last August, but it took a couple of months to pinpoint the cause.

"This started off as discoid lupus, primarily affecting the skin," the mother said. It quickly moved to the second stage — systemic — and began to attack the kidneys.

Lupus has no cure and there is much question in the medical community about the best means to treat it.

Callie receives chemotherapy once a month at SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis. The four-hour process is done through an IV and requires overnight hospitalization.

The chemotherapy slows down her immune system and helps the "kidney filters" function correctly, her mother said.

She must also take the steroid Prednisone, which causes swelling and makes her look a little more round-faced than her identical sisters, her father said.

Callie sees a rheumatologist for her lupus at Saint Louis University and a nephrologist — kidney doctor — at Cardinal Glennon. She also must go on occasion to the Anheuser-Busch Eye Institute in St. Louis for vision checks, because lupus can affect the eyes, although it hasn't so far for Callie.

## Sen. Fitzgerald seeking interns

The Washington and Illinois offices of U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald are accepting applications for the 1999 summer internship program.

The program is designed specifically for students who have an interest in U.S. government. Interns will have the opportunity to work alongside the senator and his staff and observe the legislative process first-hand.

College students beyond their freshman year are encouraged to apply. Applicants should be able to write well. Summer internships will begin May 15 and conclude around Aug. 15.

For more information about the internship program, call Washington Intern Coordinator Susan Heidenreich at (202) 224-2854 or Fitzgerald's Chicago office at (312) 888-3508.

To apply for an internship in Washington, send a cover letter and resume to Heidenreich, 555 Dirksen Building, Washington, D.C., 20510.

## Draper to speak

James T. Draper Jr., president of LifeWay Christian Resources and past president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be the guest speaker March 14 at First Baptist Church of Waterloo.

The Church Ladies, a popular local group, will also sing at the service. Their repertoire includes everything from oldies to gospel and they will perform many gospel favorites.

Also upcoming at First Baptist will be "Christ in the Passover," a presentation by Garret Smith of Jews for Jesus at 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. March 21.

Insurance is paying 80 percent of the bills, but that still leaves about an average \$3,000 in unpaid expenses each month, friends said.

A chicken and beer benefit dance will start at 6 p.m.

March 20 at the Edwardsville Moose Lodge 1561, 506 Goshen Road.

"The Moose Lodge does two benefits a year, and word got around that Callie had this and

they selected her," Rickard said.

Jim Bain of Edwardsville, the benefit chairman, said donation of auction items is appreciated. He can be

contacted at 656-8501.

Cash donations are being accepted through the Edwardsville Moose Lodge, P.O. Box 279, Edwardsville, Ill. 62025; or TheBANK of Edwardsville, Callie Rickard

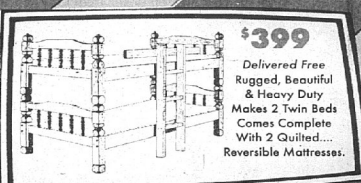
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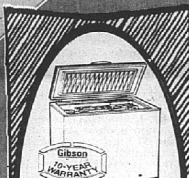
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# Sports

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## Arena memories

McKendree's  
victory vs.  
St. Louis U.  
was unforgettable

By now you've heard enough memories of the St. Louis Arena to be happy the old barn has been blown away.

However, without adding to the bore with a barrage of my Arena memorables, I thought I would refer to one from the days when it was called the Checker-dome.

As you might suspect, my fond memory relates to southwestern Illinois and to McKendree College in particular because on a December evening in 1980, the men of Bearcats basketball defeated St. Louis University 64-55 at the Checker-dome.

"It was an enjoyable evening," McKendree coach Harry Statham told me the recently as he prepared for another postseason after already becoming the state's all-time career win leader earlier this season.

"They gave us a \$2,000 guarantee for playing there and we had a nice reception in one of the suites after the game," said Statham. "We pretty well controlled the game and seemed to have almost as many spectators there as they did."

One of those estimated 3,500 spectators was this scribe, and as I told Statham, "for all my bragging, I should have bet on the game."

For St. Louis University, the non-conference game was one of four the Billikens had scheduled to start that season — the third year during the tenure of coach Ron Ekker. St. Louis University had opened with a 91-51 rout of William Jewell, but whatever optimism that win generated was wiped out by McKendree.

"We already had a few games under our belt, and that helped us," said Statham.

But what did not help McKendree was that two of its eventual starters — John Jankowski and Steve Lanter — could not play against St. Louis University.

"They were there in street clothes and were not eligible until January," Statham said.

Thus, while former Nashville High star Jankowski and Mascoutah all-star Lanter watched, the Bearcats roster featured former Belleville East players Gary Haverman, Jeff Lanter and Andy Kassebaum as well as Dan Dobbins (Pittsfield), Rick Klingbecker (Mascoutah) and rod Herrin (Benton).



Art Voellinger  
**Sports  
Views**



Granite City track coach Gene Briggs talks to members of the Warriors girls track team.

## Team on track with talented cast of kids

Warriors boast large turnout

By Rick Broome  
Staff writer

At Granite City, track is for kids — lots of kids.

**PREP TRACK**  
The Granite City team has had more than 95 interested participants come out in the early days of practice.

"We were very pleased with our seasonal results last year," Granite City coach Gene Briggs said. "We felt our varsity teams were extremely

competitive, and we're talking about one of the toughest, most competitive areas in the state. The East St. Louis boys were state champs last year and the girls from Lincoln are always a perennial power."

O'Fallon, Edwardsville, the Belleville schools, Alton, Collinsville, they all have great track programs. In order to be successful against those kinds of teams, we have to be pretty good. The fact that we were

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## Missouri pins down Illinois in grudge match

Metro East wins  
more matches  
but loses 33-26

By Rick Broome  
Staff writer

As one of the main metropolitan regions in Missouri, the St. Louis/St. Charles area high school

**PREP WRESTLING**  
wrestlers annually take home plenty of medals from the Missouri State High School Activities Association's state championship meet.

Southwestern Illinois wrestlers have a little harder time taking home medals from the IHSA state meet.

On Wednesday night, wrestlers from both sides of the river battled for superiority on the equal footing of a wrestling mat.

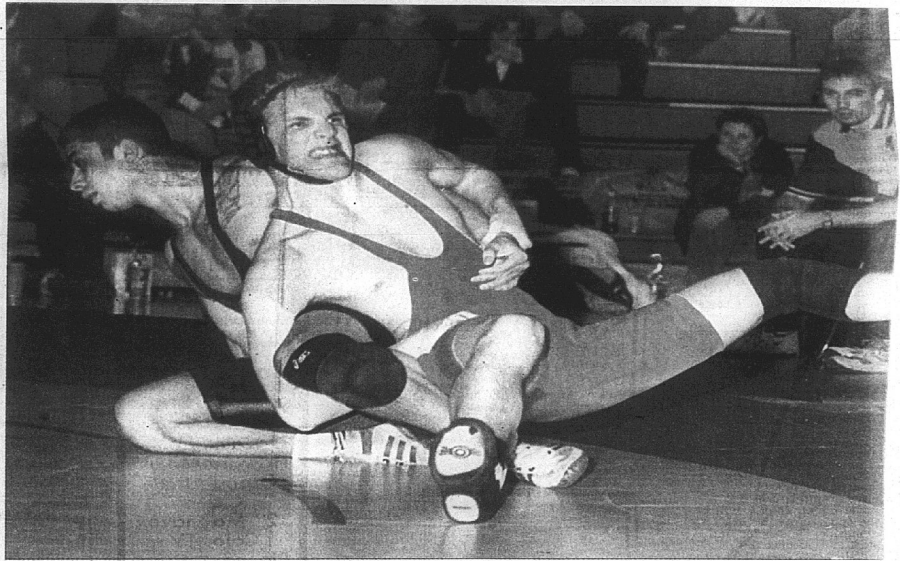
In the 23rd annual East/West All-Star Wrestling Classic at Meramec Community College, the Missouri wrestlers held off the Illinois team for a 33-26 victory.

The match essentially was clinched for Missouri in the 171-pound match. Leading 33-11, Missouri's Mike Figge (Oakville, Mo.) merely had to stay off his back against Sean Box of Edwardsville.

Box posted a 12-6 win and Illinois won the next three matches but couldn't outscore the Missourians.

For the night, Illinois won seven of the 13 matches but Missouri won two by fall and one by default. Illinois had two major decisions and one pin.

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John Conrey photo

Granite City's Brooks Narvaez (left) battled Ed Wagner of south St. Louis County Lindbergh High School during the East/West All-Star Wrestling Classic on Wednesday night at Meramec Community College in Kirkwood. Narvaez won his match — as did Granite City teammates Kevin Venne and Justin Hale — but the Illinois team dropped a 33-26 decision to Missouri.

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# Granite City's Stoval earns scholarship

By Rick Broome  
Staff writer

At the Granite City High School awards banquet Thursday night, principal William Rotter noted that Kristin Stoval's name will forever sit atop the record books at Granite City.

Stoval is the first girls bowler from Granite City to compete in the IHSA state tournament. She was the most outstanding athlete on the first-year girls bowling team and her excellence was acknowledged by a local bowling booster group.

Stoval received a scholarship from the Men's 700 Club for more than just her athletic excellence.

"The Men's 700 Club is an organization of bowlers from the Metro East area that are real big supporters of the Southern Illinois High School Bowling Conference," Granite City bowling coach Bill Puhse said. "They set up the scholarships. They had two scholarships that they gave away this year — one to a boy and one to a girl."

"They were not necessarily for the highest-average bowler.

Warriors senior honored for athletics, academics, service

They were for the well-rounded bowler, somebody who was in our conference, but someone who also showed high scholastic standards and service to their school and was very active in their school. Kristin was the recipient of the girls award this year, so that was a \$500 scholarship that she received from them."

"I think that she was totally shocked that she was going to get it. I kind of had a feeling that she would get it, but I didn't want to tell her that. She definitely is an excellent student. She is in the National Honor Society, she is involved in so many different activities here at school. And then to go on and excel in the bowling program in her first year and make it to the state was just tremendous. So it was no shock to me that she got it."

"I was really surprised that I got it," Stoval said. "I filled out the scholarship application, but I wasn't expecting to get it after my first year of bowling."

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Bill Puhse  
Granite City coach

Stoval followed a steady progression as the season progressed.

"I thought it went pretty well," Stoval said. "I got better after every match and Coach Puhse really helped me out."

"At the beginning of the season, since this was my first season, she started off kind of slow," Puhse said. "She was kind of frustrated at the beginning of the year because she is used to succeeding in sports. She just worked really hard. She went and got a new bowling ball and had it drilled

for her. She just started showing great improvement as the season went on."

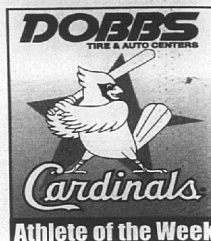
"She started off the season averaging about 145 and ended up when we went to sectionals, averaging 184 for the six games we bowled at sectionals. Then at state, even with having a really rough morning, she came back in the afternoon and averaged in the 180's and ended up averaging around 160 for the state tournament. And that was with a lot of pressure on her. So she really made great strides throughout the season for her."

games and her bowling. Even at state, she had her first ever clean game in competition — which means that she had no game where she had no opens — she had all spares and strikes. She was just so excited to do that. And that was one of the goals that we had during the season, to try and bowl clean games where you don't have opens in them and you pick your spares."

"Everything was coming together at that point. It was just great to see her finally get to that point and achieve that, when she had struggled so much earlier in the season. She was the only person to represent our school at state. Just to get there was great."

The scholarship will help Kristin with the most important thing — school. But there may yet be lanes that open up ahead of her in the future.

"I might bowl in college; I'm not really sure," Stoval



said. "I'm going to go to SIUE and I don't think they really have a bowling program, but I've heard that they have some little individual bowling things."

"I wish (Granite City) would have had the bowling team when I was maybe a freshman so I could have gotten started sooner. It's unfortunate that I'm a senior and that it's over already, but it was great."

## All-SWC teams

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Debra Aaron, Granite City, senior.	
Erin Gusselle, Edwardsville, junior.	
Amy Loftus, Collinsville, junior.	
Honorable Mention	
Rachelle Stabenfeldt, Collinsville.	
Latasha Hunter, East St. Louis.	
Lutisha Davis, East St. Louis.	
Sharika Satterwhite, East St. Louis.	
Jessica Wallace, Granite City.	
Jan Shanafelt, Granite City.	
Christy Daco, Belleville East.	
Karyle Penitton, Edwardsville.	
Lindsay Anderson, Edwardsville.	
Julie Culbertson, Belleville West.	
Stacy Deluca, Collinsville.	
Angie Parker, Collinsville.	
Erika Todd, Granite City.	
Amanda Jackson, Belleville East.	
Allyson Blevens, Alton.	
My'Shia Walker, Alton.	
Tamara Young, Alton.	
Sharing Conrad, East St. Louis.	

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

First Team	
Darius Miles, East St. Louis, junior.	
Dan Lytle, Edwardsville, senior.	
Stetson Hairston, Belleville East, junior.	
DeMarco Snipes, Alton, junior.	
Terry Tessary, Collinsville, sophomore.	
Second Team	
DeMarco Smith, Belleville West, junior.	
Matt Turner, Edwardsville, senior.	
Shaun Moore, Collinsville, senior.	
Daniel Hawkins, East St. Louis, senior.	
Matt Pistorius, Granite City, junior.	
Philip Gilbert, East St. Louis, junior.	
Zack May, Granite City, junior.	
Honorable Mention	
Justin Mason, Belleville East, senior.	
Lee Heard, Alton, senior.	
Neat O'Donnell, Belleville West, senior.	
Curtis Williams, Belleville West, senior.	
Charles Banks, Alton, senior.	
Jamon Wheeler, Alton, senior.	
Chris Schaffer, Collinsville.	

senior.

#### PREP WRESTLING

First Team	
103 pounds — Steve Peach, Granite City.	
112 — Joe Triant, Granite City.	
119 — Joe Ruwizit, Belleville West.	
125 — Dusty Carpenter, Belleville West.	
130 — Nick Bellamy, Alton.	
135 — Marc Justice, Collinsville.	
140 — Mike Brenner, Belleville East.	
145 — Scott Radcliff, Edwardsville.	
152 — Brooks Narvaez, Granite City.	
160 — George Kirgan, Granite City.	
171 — Sean Box, Edwardsville.	
189 — Joe Bevis, Edwardsville.	
215 — Kevin Venne, Granite City.	
275 — Nick Tarpoff, Edwardsville.	
Second Team	
103 — Brian Winters, Belleville West.	
112 — Josh Crawford, Alton; and Chris Beshears, Collinsville.	
110 — Tom Tedesco, Granite City.	
125 — Paul Johnson, Granite City.	
130 — Ian Law, Edwardsville.	
135 — Mike Clabaton, Belleville West.	
140 — Mike Hargrove, East St. Louis.	
145 — Ryan Worthen, Granite City.	
152 — Corey Ford, Belleville West.	
160 — Matt Elliot, Alton.	
171 — Tom Reed, Alton.	
171 — Justin Hale, Granite City.	
189 — Richard Ness, Belleville East.	
215 — Kenny Lutz, Collinsville.	
275 — Jeremy Genin, Belleville East.	
Honorable Mention	
103 — Aaron Winterberg, Alton; and Chris McLean, Edwardsville.	
112 — Jerry Amsbury, Edwardsville.	
119 — Caleb Robinson, Edwardsville.	
125 — Bill Demars, Belleville East; and Andy Garrison, Alton.	
130 — Adrian Ortiz, Belleville East.	
135 — Josh Mercer, Edwardsville.	
140 — Dan Perozzi, Edwardsville.	
152 — Wes Smith, Collinsville; and Jamey Hartley, Edwardsville.	
160 — Jason Amos, Collinsville.	
171 — Adam Taylor, East St. Louis; and Justin Carver, Belleville East.	
188 — Jerrard Dachsteiner, Belleville West; and Bobby Grammer, Granite City.	
215 — Rick Schubert, Belleville East; and Jerry Greenwood, Edwardsville.	
275 — Shawn Schmelbach, Belleville West.	

## MVCHA hockey

### Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association

#### Class AA Regular Season Final

Northern Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Illinois (Granite City).....	13-6-3
Bethalto Civic Memorial.....	10-8-4
Alton.....	10-6-4
Edwardsville.....	10-6-4
Alton Marquette.....	5-10-4
Roxana.....	0-20-2
South Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
O'Fallon.....	17-3-2
Altoff.....	11-6-3
Collinsville.....	10-10-2
Belleville West.....	10-10-2
Belleville East.....	6-11-3
Cahokia.....	6-11-5
Playoffs	
Northern Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Illinois (Granite City).....	2-1
Bethalto Civic Memorial.....	2-1
Alton.....	1-2
Alton Marquette.....	0-3
Roxana.....	0-3
South Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
O'Fallon.....	3-0
Altoff.....	2-1
Collinsville.....	2-1
Belleville West.....	2-1
Cahokia.....	2-1
Belleville East.....	0-3
Playoffs (Round 1)	
O'Fallon 8, Cahokia 4.	
Altoff 8, Belleville East 2.	
Illinois Warriors (Granite City) 10, Roxana 3.	
Civic Memorial 2, Marquette 1.	
Edwardsville 2, Alton 1.	
Collinsville 1, Belleville West 0.	
Round 2	
O'Fallon 10, Roxana 1.	

## MVCHA Class A all-stars

### MVCHA Class A Eastern Division All-Star Team

Player	School	Position	Year
Justin Anderson	Freeburg	Forward	Junior
Andy Stahl	Freeburg	Forward	Senior
Andy Schlessinger	Freeburg	Forward	Sophomore
J.R. Jones	Waterloo	Forward	Junior
Chad McBride	Waterloo	Forward	Junior
Jason Lühr	Waterloo	Forward	Junior
Brandon Smick	Triad	Forward	Sophomore
Joe Schmitt	Triad	Forward	Junior
Jeremy Evans	Triad	Forward	Freshman
Adam Gordon	Mascoutah	Forward	Senior
Josh Burden	Mascoutah	Forward	Sophomore
Nathan Korte	Mascoutah	Defense	Senior
Justin Liefer	Freeburg	Defense	Senior
C.J. Rogers	Freeburg	Defense	Senior
Eddie Wilson	Waterloo	Defense	Sophomore
Eddie Arras	Waterloo	Defense	Sophomore
Justin McClain	Triad	Defense	Junior
188 — Rick Schubert, Belleville East.			
Justin Kriffin	Mascoutah	Defense	Senior
Kurt Friederich	Mascoutah	Defense	Sophomore
Ryan Cook	Freeburg	Goalie	Senior
Danny Songer	Waterloo	Goalie	Sophomore
Scott Hacker	Mascoutah	Goalie	Senior
Head coach — Craig Buntenbach, Freeburg; Assistants — Mike Grubb, Waterloo; Roger Lewis, Triad.			

### Jerseyville.....

Jerseyville.....	2-1
Piasa Southwestern.....	1-2
East Alton-Wood River.....	1-2
Highland.....	0-3
Playoffs (Round 1)	
Mascoutah 3, Freeburg 1.	
Southwestern 4, Highland 1.	
Jerseyville 2, East Alton-Wood River 0.	
Waterloo 4, Triad 3.	
Round 2	
Freeburg 5, Highland 0.	
Mascoutah 5, Southwestern 2.	
Waterloo 2, Jerseyville 1.	
Triad 5, East Alton-Wood River 1.	
Round 3	
Freeburg 5, Triad 1.	
Jerseyville 2, Southwestern 1.	
East Alton-Wood River 3, Highland 1.	
Waterloo 4, Mascoutah 3.	
Semifinal 1 (North): Civic Memorial 4, Edwardsville 3.	
Semifinal 2 (South): O'Fallon 4, Altoff 2.	
Championship: O'Fallon 7, Bethalto Civic Memorial 2.	
Class A Regular Season Final	
East Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Freeburg.....	19-0-2
Waterloo.....	16-3-2
Triad.....	9-8-4
Mascoutah.....	0-9-3
West Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Piasa Southwestern.....	9-9-4
Wood River.....	4-11-6
Jerseyville.....	6-14-1
Highland.....	1-20-0
Playoffs	
East Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Waterloo.....	3-0
Mascoutah.....	2-1
Triad.....	2-1
West Division	
Team.....	W-L-T
Jerseyville.....	3-0
Waterloo.....	2-1
Triad.....	1-2
Round 2	
O'Fallon 10, Roxana 1.	

## Prep wrestling

### Southwestern Conference Final Standings

Granite City.....	6-0
Edwardsville.....	5-1
Alton.....	3-3
Belleville West.....	3-3
Belleville East.....	1-5
Collinsville.....	2-4
East St. Louis.....	0-6

### MVCHA Class A Western Division All-Star Team

Player	School	Position	Year
Aaron Miller	Southwestern	Forward	Senior
Dan Naylor	Southwestern	Forward	Junior
Ryan Clardy	Southwestern	Forward	Junior
Phil Kaylor	E. Alton-Wood River	Forward	Junior
Aaron Ridenhew	E. Alton-Wood River	Forward	Senior
Bretty Buttry	E. Alton-Wood River	Forward	Sophomore
Ben Garner	Jerseyville	Forward	Senior
Brian Lahey	Jerseyville	Forward	Sophomore
Chris Bray	Jerseyville	Forward	Junior
Brody Field	Jerseyville	Forward	8th grade
Chris Nikonovich	Southwestern	Defense	Freshman
Andrew Gernign	E. Alton-Wood River	Defense	Junior
Brian Carpinly	Jerseyville	Defense	Junior
Neal Hamilton	Jerseyville	Defense	Sophomore
Jeremy Kirsh	Highland	Defense	Senior
Aaron Nelemeyer	Highland	Defense	Senior
Jong Cambron	Southwestern	Goalie	Junior
Jake Ringler	E. Alton-Wood River	Goalie	Junior
Andrew Heffer	Jerseyville	Goalie	Junior

Head coach — Mike Nikonovich, Southwestern; Assistants — John Helmkamp, East Alton-Wood River; Bruce Field, Jerseyville.

A Game — 4:45 p.m. Sunday at U.S. Ice Sports Complex, Fairview Heights.

## Bowling results

### Week of Feb. 5 Youth High Series Friday A League

Bobby Noryde.....	385
Andrew McGarrahan.....	383
Ryan Beane.....	324
Deanna Chambers.....	311
Friday B League	
Stephen McHugh.....	222
Alex Niemaczek.....	216
Erin Dickey.....	199
Sarah Niemaczek.....	177
Bumpers	
Boyd Jennings.....	218
Tyler Murphy.....	212
Frank Steiner.....	206
Lauren Hollinshead.....	201
Jessica Jacobs.....	201
Prep Girls	

### Week of Feb. 5 Youth High Series Friday A League

Amber Fournle.....	236
Megan Helm.....	231
Prep Boys	
Blake Boyer.....	199
TC Collins.....	189
Juniors	
Aaron Dellamano.....	632
Deanna Trone.....	627
Rachel Spiker.....	490
Heather Bradtko.....	478
High School	
Colin Becker.....	626
Scott Nowicki.....	575
Deanna Trone.....	490
Misty Murphy.....	277
Week of Feb. 5 Youth High Series Friday A League	
Amber Fournle.....	131
Megan Helm.....	123

### Week of Feb. 5 Youth High Series Friday A League

Andrew McGarrahan.....	243
Bobby Noryde.....	211
Jake Beane.....	168
Deanna Chambers.....	161
Friday B League	
Alex Niemaczek.....	119
Stephen McHugh.....	117
Erin Dickey.....	100
Sammy Farris.....	94
Bumpers	
Tyler Murphy.....	119
Boyd Jennings.....	119
Colin Becker.....	113
Jessica Jacobs.....	127
Lauren Hollinshead.....	116
Prep Girls	
Amber Fournle.....	131
Megan Helm.....	123

### Week of Feb. 5 Youth High Series Friday A League

Blake Boyer.....	109
TC Collins.....	99
Juniors	
Aaron Dellamano.....	221
Ryan Lindsey.....	203
Heather Bradtko.....	191
Deanna Trone.....	184
Amanda Touchette.....	184
High School	
Doug Ridgeway.....	232
Colin Becker.....	227
Scott Nowicki.....	227
Deanna Trone.....	169
Misty Murphy.....	95
Week of Feb. 7 Parent/Youth High Series	
Men	
Chuck Bauer.....	670
Darin Yarek.....	599
Women	
Yvonne Bright.....	498
Glane Moore.....	457
Boys	
Andrew Bauer.....	480
Paul Maloney.....	445
Girls	
Jesna Peyla.....	367
Ashley Thomas.....	344
Week of Feb. 7 Parent/Youth High Game	
Men	
Chuck Bauer.....	244
Darin Yarek.....	203
Women	
Yvonne Bright.....	203

## Warriors boast nice cast

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successful and we had good results last year in track meets, we really felt that we did a great job. Maybe we didn't win everything, but the fact that we were still in contention and part of the upper echelon, we felt very, very happy about that."

The key to this year's team is the potential in last year's younger members.

"Our freshman and sophomore boys were Southwestern Conference champs, so that means that our young kids were the best in the conference. Our junior varsity girls were second in the conference behind Edwardsville, so that means that our younger girls are doing great in respect to the other programs."

This infusion of youth into the upper reaches of the Warriors bodes well for the season to come.

"We were happy with our production, our results, and we were also happy with the fact that we were young, we have a lot of those kids returning," Briggs said.

"That's one thing we are looking at this year. With a lot of those athletes returning, we have a lot of strengths. The numbers are good, the youth is good, but we also have a lot of upper-class quality athletes."

The ranks are swollen with experience and talent on both sides of the gender fence in 1999.

"In the senior girls, Amanda Ragan is a good middle-distance sprinter for us," Briggs said. "Allison Monroe is a very good thrower in the shot put. Both of them should do us some good this year. In junior girls, we have a couple of good high-jumpers in Tabby Duff and Melissa White. We've got Angela Kromraj in the distance and hurdle events, so that could be beneficial."

"Sophomore girls will be our strongest class because our freshmen were very strong. Those girls, as

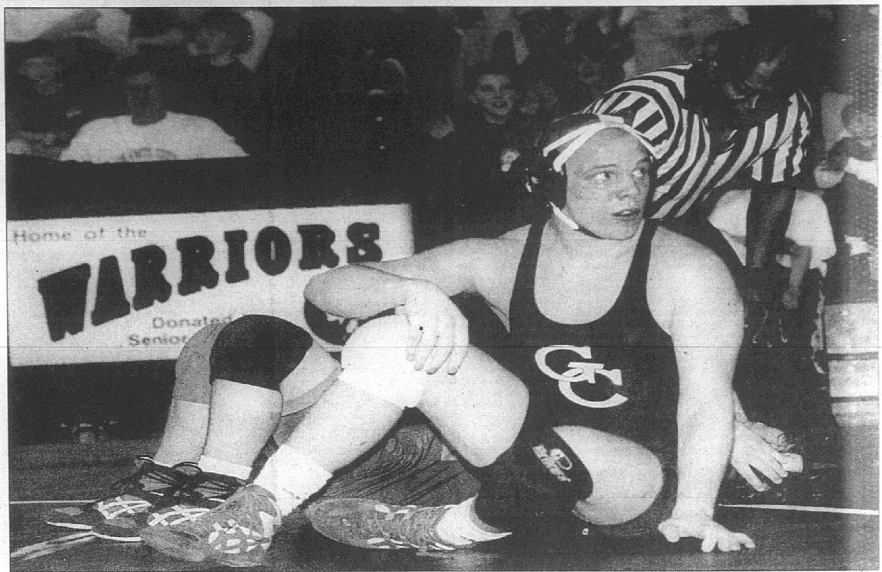
sophomores, are pretty mature athletes right now and will be real helpful to our varsity program. We have Nicole Bellman, a long-jumper and sprinter, Denise Mueller, Faith Yurichin and Brandi Lassen, all middle-distance runners, Penny Meyer and Sarah Tester, good distance runners, Shannon Stapleton, one of the premier sprinters in the whole area, and Stacie Marier, who is a good hurdler for us. These are all excellent athletes."

"For the senior boys, Steven Schroeder is a good hurdler, sprinter and jumper. Aaron Howard is a good sprinter. Earl Clark is a good sprinter and jumper. Chris Tindall is not out yet, but if he does show up, he's a good sprinter and jumper. Jeremy Hunter is a good sprinter and jumper, Dennis Davis, a good distance runner, Joe Landeros, a good thrower. We might get Mike Simpson, he's also a good jumper."

"The junior boys are real strong. Kevin Atkins is one of the premier middle-distance runners in the area. Rich Skirball and Chris Mertz are very good athletes, both of them are middle distance, and Chris also hurdles. Josh Mefford and Kris Risovsky are very good sprinters. Erik Kambarian is a very good thrower. For the sophomores, Justin Smith is a great sprinter. Jason Evenden, a good thrower, Jerry Curtis, a good distance runner, Kevin Prindable is a good hurdler and a good sprinter, Josh Martin is a good runner, Jeremiah Beckley, a good middle distance."

The girls hit the cinder for the first meet Friday at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with the boys following on Saturday.

"We're now about five or six weeks into the season, and the kids have been working really hard," Briggs said. "If that's any indication then we are probably looking at some good things this year."



Granite City's Kevin Venne recorded a win in his match against a Missouri rival.

## Illinois grapplers fall to Missouri team 33-26

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All the other matches were won by decisions.

"I think they were a little bit rusty, being two or three weeks removed from the end of the season," said Illinois coach Ken Feigenbetz, one of the head coaches at the Granite City Wrestling Club. "So they were a little bit out of shape, but other than that I think they did pretty well. They didn't get a lot of practice, so that was probably part of the problem."

"Missouri has a lot of good, tough kids, a lot of high place-winners in the state this

year. We knew it was going to be tough, but that's what we came over here for, a good match, and that's what we got. I'm proud of the kids, I think they did a fine job."

Granite City's trio of wrestlers all were victorious but Belleville Althoff's Dan Quertz was pinned and Collinsville's Marc Justice lost by default.

Quertz, wrestling at 160 pounds, ran into a two-time state champion in Mark Vollmar from St. Charles (Mo.) West. After beating each other up in the first period, Vollmar got the upper hand in the second and pinned Quertz at 3 minutes 34 seconds.

"I was just not in any shape at all," Quertz said. "I didn't practice for this at all. My coach just called me around Monday and asked me if I wanted to wrestle and I said sure. I just came out here and tried to have some fun and it wasn't so fun losing. It was rough; I was way out of shape. I think if I was in shape, I probably would have given him a much better match. But I was just gassed out."

Justice, wrestling at 140, was taken down by (Maryland Heights, Mo.) Pattonville's Greg Brown with 5 seconds left in the first period. Justice tweaked his ankle in the third and had to default at 4:57.

Granite City's Brooks Narvaez clipped the wings of (St. Louis County) Lindbergh's Ed Wagner to the tune of a 13-3 drubbing in the 152-pound match.

Granite City's Kevin Venne was on his way to a manhandling of Mark Miller of Hannibal, Mo., at 215 when he injured his knee. Venne held on to score a 9-6 victory.

"Kevin has a little bit of a tear in his knee, so I think after the season he's going to have some surgery on it," Feigenbetz said. "But I'm really proud of him for sticking in there."

Granite City's Justin Hale moved up from his customary perch at 171 pounds to face 189-pounder Scott Ballard from Melville, Mo., and the Warriors senior won by pin at 1:48.

Justin wrestled up a weight and he did an exceptional job, I'm really proud of him. Feigenbetz said. "He didn't back down. He went out there and took care of business."

"(Granite City) Coach (Mike) Garland asked me Sunday if I wanted to wrestle in it and I said I would," Hale said. "I just went out there with a positive attitude, thinking I could beat him. If I think positive and wrestle good, almost anything can happen."

Hale cherished the opportunity to participate in the event with teammates Venne and Narvaez.

"I just think of all the fun times we've had as seniors this year," Hale said. "There were some tough times in the room that we had practicing, but overall I think we had a fun year and a pretty good year. And placing (fourth) up there at state as a team is really something to look back on."

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## Trip to tourney finals caps fantastic season for BAC

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

The 1998-99 Belleville Area College men's basketball team wasn't the

most talented or most successful group coach Jay Harrington has had.

But in many ways, this was one of Harrington's most enjoyable seasons, and his team finished on a positive note. The unheralded Dutchmen got all the way to the finals of the Region 24 Tournament before losing 52-46 to host John A. College March 6 at Carleville.

"I've been in this business for 25 years, and this was the nicest group of kids I've ever dealt with, not only on the floor, but off the floor," Harrington said. "The whole community should be proud of what these kids accomplished and the type of kids they are."

"The only thing wrong with this team was that it was young. We played the hardest schedule BAC has ever had, with 18 road games compared to 12 (home games). Our fall GPA (grade-point average) was 2.98 (on a 3.0 scale) and the average hours passed was 15.8."

Eighth-seeded BAC (18-15) upset top-seeded Southeastern Illinois 74-73 in the quarterfinals, then claimed an 83-78 semifinal win over No. 4 Wabash Valley.

"We were a minute and 20 seconds away from winning (the championship game)," Harrington said. "We had 23 turnovers, but if we had our last two free throws, it could have changed the outcome of the game."

"Our win over Southeastern marked the first time a No. 8 seed has ever won a first-round game (at the Region 24 tourney). Until the final game, we took care of the basketball a lot better. In January and February, we averaged 24 turnovers a game."

"We lost 15 games by an average of six points per game and we never got beat by

more than 13 points. This team rebounded a lot better than I expected us to and defensively we were the No. 1 team in the region. But we never did quite value the possession of the ball the way we should. Without all those 25 turnovers, we would have won 25 games."

BAC's roster included nine freshmen. "In many games we started four freshmen, we had our first winning season in four years," said Harrington, whose team hadn't won a regional game since 1991. "Balance was one of the things I liked about this team. Our leading scorers, Brian Markus (Brescia Central) and Chico Brown (Edwardsville) averaged only 11 points a game, but we had Jermaine Taylor at 10 points a game, Kerek Taylor at 9.5, Aaron Green at nine points and Marquis Holmes, Bob Tebbe (Highland) and Clint Sitzes (Belleville East) at eight points."

"It was the same thing with rebounds. Chico averaged eight per game, but everyone else was close to four. Chico missed some games with a broken and it never did heal right, but he played with it that way since Jan. 4. They're putting a cast on this week."

"When we got to the (regional) tournament, Marcus and Kerek Taylor carried us. They managed 17 points a game and made the all-tournament team."

Harrington expects at least six or seven of the freshmen to return next season.

"That would leave us with four to six scholarships," Harrington said. "I want to sign a center and a power forward who can rebound. I want to sign a point guard who can back up Jermaine Taylor, who was all-conference. I also want two shooters/scorers and maybe a second big man."

Brown, a former offensive lineman on the University of Illinois football team, has signed a letter of intent to play basketball and football at South Dakota University, an NCAA Division II school.

## Grigsby thumps rival Coolidge

Gators boast 19-1 record, have 2 contests remaining

By Rick Broome  
Staff writer

Grigsby's eighth-graders jumped out to a 7-0 lead in the first

quarter and never trailed en

route to a 28-10 victory over cross-town rival Coolidge Thursday afternoon.

"The Coolidge-Grigsby rivalry is older than I well, not as old as me, that would be going some, but it's old," Grigsby coach Chuck Krauss said. "This is a very special game for both teams."

Seventh-grader Whitney Sikes led the Gators with 10 points, and Kelly Harris chipped in with nine. Seven players scored in the game for Grigsby.

"Kelly Harris is really the backbone of our time, her and Jackie (Kacera)," Krauss said. "We've only got nine players, but all of these kids are so coachable and they enjoy what they are doing so much. It has been the most fun I have had in a long time."

"These are really good athletes. I'm really privileged to be able to coach these kids. They have such natural talent and ability that anybody could have gotten them to where they are right now. They have worked very hard to get where they are."

Where they are is sitting pretty — 19-1 with two games to go. If the Gators can play out the string with victories at home against Bethalto Tuesday and at Edwardsville Thursday, they'll wrap up the district title.

Edwardsville is the only team to top Grigsby this season, so revenge will be forefront on the agenda.

"These girls have played under a lot of adversity all year," Krauss said. "I think we've only had four games where every starter was there. But they've fought through it, the other kids have stepped up and it really is a team. They all get along and it's just a lot of fun. They are having fun, and I am having fun."

"Coolidge has got some great athletes, too. I think this eighth-grade class has got some kids from Holy Family and St. Elizabeth coming in. The programs are really developing and I think the (Granite City High School) varsity has a good chance to really do some good things in the next four or five years."

The rejuvenation has started already. It kicked into gear when the high school girls pulled a drastic 180 on the 3-20 disaster of last year to finish 13-14. The community has taken notice of the refurbished hot rod roaring toward the future.

"I think everybody in Granite City is aware of that," Krauss said. "If you are a sports fan at all you couldn't help but notice the high school girls, with Jessica Wallace, Jan Shanafelt and Debra Aaron leading them, with (freshman) Erin Tyler coming up. They have Kelly Mitchell and Christine Withers. They have a tremendous nucleus of talent up there and with these girls coming up next year the sky is the limit for them, really. I really think that they have a good chance to go somewhere."

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

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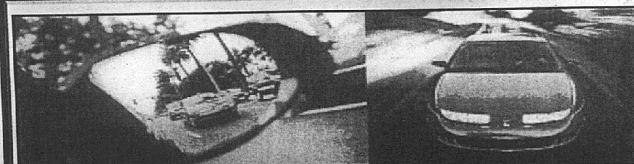
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# Lancers fall short against Tigers in semis

## Edwardsville slows pace, outscores Belleville East 5-0 in final four minutes

By Scott Marlon  
Staff writer

Mike Waldo has heard "The Great Shot Clock Debate" before, but there's no doubt about where he stands on the issue.

"It would be stupid of me to say I'm in favor of a shot clock," the Edwardsville basketball coach said after his team successfully slowed down the pace Wednesday and defeated Belleville East 35-33 in the semifinals of the IHSA Class AA Collinsville Sectional at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

"The shot clock changes basketball a lot," Waldo said. "It brings a whole new strategy into late-game situations. If there was a shot clock, we would play differently. We would have to."

Edwardsville (23-5) advanced to Friday's championship game against East St. Louis, while East ended its

season at 18-10.

"Wasn't that a potent offensive game?" joked Lancers coach Doug McCrary. "I knew it was going to be low-scoring, but I didn't think it would be that low."

"If we get the lead and keep it, they can't stall the game. It's well-documented that that is part of their gameplan. But we couldn't keep the lead. Too many missed opportunities and missed free throws hurt us. We just didn't get it done down the stretch."

Dan Lytle, Edwardsville's 6-foot-11 senior center, scored more than half of his team's points. The Tigers' patience in working the ball inside paid off, as Lytle had a game-high 21 points and 10 rebounds.

"Lytle made some big shots inside under heavy duress," said Waldo, whose team split two regular-season games against East, a Southwestern Conference rival. "He did a good job of getting the ball in the basket at key times. The guys did a good of

getting the ball to him."

East, meanwhile, never got its offense in gear. Junior standout Stetson Hairston was held to 9 points and shared the team scoring lead with senior Tony Patterson.

"There wasn't any flow — it was a herky-jerky kind of game," McCrary said. "There weren't any easy baskets, but that's the way our games have been with them all year. We wanted to push the ball and try to go to the basket, but the kids got caught up in the game. They worried about making mistakes instead of just playing their game."

A pair of free throws by Lytle gave Edwardsville a 15-8 lead early in the second quarter, but a layup by Hairston brought East within two points (21-19) by halftime.

A 3-pointer by Justin Mason gave the Lancers a short-lived 24-23 lead with 5:27 to play in the third quarter, but a slam dunk by Lytle put Edwardsville up 31-24 with 2:03 to play. East got back within four points

(33-29) heading into the final period. Edwardsville's decision to play the slow-down game almost backfired in the fourth quarter, as Matt Flach and Matt Allaria both missed layups after the Tigers ran time off the clock before getting the ball inside. East capitalized both times, as baskets by Patterson and Hairston tied the game at 33-33 with 4:21 to play.

"They got back in the game because they've got good players," Waldo said. "Hairston made some acrobatic plays. Patterson is a good athlete and No. 56 (Mike Bujnak) made some baskets in the low post against us in previous games. Beating them is a great thing."

After East tied the game, neither team scored for more than two minutes, but a rebound basket by Lytle gave Edwardsville a 35-33 lead with 2:09 to play. East then missed three consecutive shots before Flach hit two of four free throws to put the Tigers ahead 37-33 with 1:10 remaining.

Horrendous free throw shooting by Edwardsville — 3 for 11 in the fourth quarter — kept East alive, but Lytle hit one more shot from the foul line to account for the final five-point margin.

"They made us run our offense a long way from the basket," Waldo said. "When people were open, we had trouble seeing them. We did a great job with our spread offense, which helped us to win."

As a coach, you never look at whether a game is ugly or pretty, you just look at the way you execute. But give our guys credit for hanging in there and surviving a great defensive effort by Belleville East.

"We did a good job, especially in the second half, of not turning over the ball and giving them fast-break opportunities. We also did a good job of getting back quickly defensively. Flach, with 15 points, was the only player other than Lytle to score in double figures."

## Seahawks team offering six-week stroke clinic for summer swimmers

The Seahawks swim team will offer a six-week stroke clinic for summer swimmers

beginning Tuesday, April 6. Sessions will be offered at 6 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. Swimmers must be able to swim a 25-yard freestyle and backstroke.

The cost is \$60 in advance and \$70 after April 6. For more information, call 476-1244.

### Football camp

St. Louis Rams wide receiver Isaac Bruce will offer a youth instructional football

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Aaron Laing, Ray Agnew, Ricky Proehl and Kurt Warner. Overnight housing is available. For more information, call 1-800-555-0801.

### Winfield signs

The University of Wisconsin-Parkside announced the signing of four high-school seniors for the 1999 season, including midfielder Corey Winfield of Granite City High School.

Winfield, a 5-foot-7 attacking midfielder, was named to all-Southwestern Conference team as a senior and was recently named to the St. Louis Metro Area All-City team. Winfield tallied 18 goals

and 22 assists for the Warriors.

"When you get a kid from this program you know what to expect," Wisconsin-Parkside coach Rick Kilps said. "Corey is a very knowledgeable player who possesses excellent skills, good speed, and quickness and can read the game. Like the others in this year's recruiting class, he has that blue-collar work ethic. He carries his own lunch pail to work. He will not look for someone else to do his job for him."

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"Here is a wonderful way to begin each day," wrote reader Mike Ferraro. "Dear Lord, there is nothing that I can't handle today that I can't handle with Your help."

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"When one door closes, a window opens," said reader Richard Virziello. If you look too long and regretfully upon the closed door you may miss a golden ray of bright happiness streaming in the window.

Everything you think affects your spirit, mind and visible countenance. Think lovely thoughts. Leave behind any negative thinking in order for your life to bloom and grow. Feed your mind daily with positive thoughts, inspiration and prayer. Life will give you what you think and expect. So

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There are years that ask questions and years that answer, a time and season for everything under the sun.

I am so looking forward to the year ahead, dear readers. Our journey has just begun. And the Lord said, "It is good."

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# 'Cruel Intentions' twisted comedy

By Ronnie Roy  
Staff writer

When last we checked in on Sarah Michelle Gellar's budding film career — just last month — she was serving love on a platter in the sappy romantic comedy, "Simply Irresistible."

For "Cruel Intentions," she trades in sappy for sexy, romance for lust and the comedy is rick and twisted.

Director/writer Roger Kumble has created a teen-age version of "Dangerous Liaisons," complete with hot young cast and his soundtrack. It will probably appeal to the youth market, but not many others.

Gellar stars as wealthy Kathryn Merteuil-Valmont — Marsha Brady by day, Jezebel by night. The most popular girl at an exclusive New York prep school, she somehow manages to keep her extra-curricular activities secret.

Kathryn's stepbrother, Sebastian (Ryan Phillippe), enjoys similar recreation, but thanks to sexual double standards makes no secret of his conquests. In fact, Sebastian is on his way to

becoming a school legend due to his exploits.

Kathryn doesn't think this is fair, especially when the boys she gets involved with dump her for her fresh, unspoiled peers. When her latest boyfriend leaves her for innocent Cecile Caldwell (Selma Blair), Kathryn plots revenge. She becomes Cecile's friend and plans to ruin her. Part of that plan involves Sebastian.

But Sebastian isn't interested. He's found a greater challenge in Annette Hargrove (Reese Witherspoon), daughter of the school's new headmaster. She has recently published a manifesto on virginity for a national magazine. She plans to wait until marriage, and her boyfriend understands.

Kathryn doesn't think he's up to the task, and a bet is made: If he succeeds in seducing Annette, he can then have his way with Kathryn; if he fails, he has to turn over his car to Kathryn.

Sebastian makes his move on Annette, who is conveniently staying at his aunt's house, while Kathryn continues in her plans to ruin Cecile.

But things go awry when Annette warns Sebastian's



Ryan Phillippe, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Reese Witherspoon and Selma Blair star in the Columbia Pictures' film, "Cruel Intentions."

cold heart.

"Cruel Intentions" is a trashy fun that falls apart once it turns into a love story. Phillippe's Sebastian is manipulative and evil in the beginning that it's hard to buy his conversion. But more unbelievable is Witherspoon's Annette, who forgoes her chastity for the first guy who tells her he loves her.

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## Horoscope

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

Expect the unexpected today as the moon transits unpredictable Aquarius. Old friends make wishes come true or at least give you an avenue to live the fantasy for a while. Visit hot spots, even if you think you won't fit in. The Aquarian moon helps out with its friendly, accepting vibrations. It's a good time to test out your universal appeal!

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (March 14). You've got luck on your side all month as you take advantage of a recent financial opportunity. Make quick, informed decisions in April, and you'll see more money all year long.

There's nothing left standing between you and a love interest — either get it out of your system or move on in romantic May.

Your marriage months are October and November.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19).

The competition is intimidated by your aura of confidence. Think steps through carefully before putting a plan into action. Anything is possible when you have the support of your closest friends.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). A disagreement over a minor point clouds the real issue at hand.

A lovers' spat is resolved as quickly as it began and in so satisfying a way as to make you almost glad it happened. A friend comes through for you.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your energy is high. Get started on projects ahead of time. Insist on getting the go-ahead in writing.

An intriguing invitation is everything you expect and more. A reunion with a former love quickly turns passionate.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). A love affair improves when you know yourself better. Rearrange your work schedule to get more time with children.

If you can take criticism constructively, you'll grow quickly. Social events improve office dynamics.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Your financial situation shows new hope, but follow-through is essential. If you stop spending, it is the same as making more.

Tonight, you'll impress people with your gifts. Your philosophical perspective is an inspiration to all.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Examine your beliefs. You think that everyone cannot be wrong, but sometimes, this is the case. Stand strong alone.

Allow your wildest ideas expression. Brilliant insights make a powerful connection.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You could become a recognized authority on something you care deeply about. An elite group accepts you.

Update your technology at home. You are emotionally in control and can assist others with your perspective.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your foresight and vision capture dedicated believers. Religious studies interest you.

Avoid over-publicizing a decision that's still evolving. Complete issues left hanging from your past.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your ideals of marriage can still be fulfilled. You are prone to classified information.

Do not tamper with or recreate a friend's original ideas, or you could permanently damage the relationship.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). An Aries could capture your fascination. Imagine the future more vividly instead of letting yourself be pulled into whatever happens.

You respond to a loved one in surprising and unexpected ways and learn new truths.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be extremely discerning about your love life — you will not be happy with just anyone.

Your ability to read minds now is amazing. Work-related matters are bound to boost your self-esteem and make you more popular.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The spotlight is on achievement, hunches and cash flow. You can make major strides in your personal life.

Remove yourself from strained situations until things blow over.

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## Park District offering trip to Great Smoky Mountains area

The Granite City Park District will sponsor a four-day trip to the Pigeon Forge, Tenn., area from April 20-23.

The trip, entitled "Springtime in the Smokies," will go on sale at 8 a.m. March 18 at the Wilson Park Ice Rink.

All three nights in Pigeon Forge will include a music show. The first will be at the new Southern Nights Music Theatre, featuring country, oldies, bluegrass, gospel, a tribute to "The Andy Griffith Show" and impersonations of some of country music's biggest stars. The others are at the Louise Mandrell show and Country Tonight, voted the best live country show in America three consecutive years.

One of the days will include a six-hour guided

tour through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park to Cherokee, N.C., with a box lunch picnic in the park. The dogwood trees should be blooming at their peak at this time to add to the beauty of the mountains and valleys.

Another day will have the option of attending Dollywood, with its many music shows and attractions, free time to shop the more than 200 factory outlet stores in five malls, ride the trolley to quaint Gatlinburg, Tenn., that boasts of the finest craftsmanship in the South or rest at the hotel.

Other stops scheduled during the trip will be to the incredible Christmas Place, one of the country's largest Christmas stores, and the Smoky Mountain Knife Works, a favorite stop in the past.

Meals included are a family-style dinner at the Appletree Inn, dinner at the Old Mill Restaurant, breakfasts at the hotel each morning with a full breakfast at the Applewood Farmhouse Restaurant or the day of departure.

The cost of the trip is \$696 for a single room, \$298 per person for a double room, \$276 each for three to a room and \$264 each for a quad.

All fees must be paid at the time of registration. The person can reserve only one room of one to four people, with proof of residence for each required unless husband and wife.

Non-residents will be placed on a waiting list and notified of availability one week after the first sign-up date.

## Extreme weather topic of regional stormwatchers club

By Paul Mackie  
Staff writer

About 100 people were introduced to a weather-forecasting club March 6 during a SKYWARN Spotter Training seminar at Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey.

Many of those in attendance for the slide and video presentation signed up to join the Missouri-Illinois Regional SKYWARN Association.

The seminar lasted most of the day and taught participants how to observe and report severe weather conditions to the National Weather Service.

"It's not uncommon to be 30 or 40 miles away and have a good view of (an approaching) storm," said speaker John Lewis, a storm-spotter trainer from Alton.

"It doesn't have to be a tornado to rip shingles off a roof. It can be straight-line winds or a downburst."

A downburst is a strong down draft of wind out of the clouds that includes an outburst of potentially damaging winds on or near the ground, according to information distributed by the SKYWARN Association.

Along with discussions about how to observe severe cloud formations and atmospheric conditions, Neil showed a video presentation on the deadly potential of lightning and how to stay safe during storms.

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## Newsletter helps parents

Parents of newborns suggested a newsletter designed to guide them through the first year of their child's life is more helpful than advice from relatives and health care professionals, according to a recent study by University of Illinois Extension.

A survey of new parents who received free copies of Parenting the First Year showed that three out of four parents were less inclined to be angry when the baby was difficult. The 12-part newsletter series follows a child's monthly development during the first year.

A total of 376 new parents in Madison and St. Clair counties have received Parenting the First Year through the cooperation of the University of Illinois Extension, Madison-St. Clair Unit, local collaborating agencies and the Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies.

The newsletter project was funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services.

Debbie McClellan, University of Illinois Extension Family Life Educator, reports that more than 80 percent of parents said reading the newsletters prompted them to give their child new things to see, hear, and smell to help stimulate early brain development. Seventy-five percent reported talking to their baby more.

The newsletters were written to encourage good parenting skills, especially among first-time parents and those considered at-risk.

"Parenting the First Year" helped me out tremendously as I learned more about motherhood. I used a lot of your techniques and advice. I was very pleased about the outcome of my baby. Thank you. You helped me a lot," one single parent said.

To subscribe to Parenting the First Year, contact the Madison-St. Clair Unit at 692-7700 or 236-8600 with your name, address, and age of baby.

## Supplements topic of program

The third in a five-part in-service program on nutrition for dietitians, home economists and other health care professionals will be offered from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the University of Illinois Madison-St. Clair Extension Unit.

Robert J. Reber, University of Illinois associate professor in nutrition, will present a session on dietary supplements. The session will be presented over the U of I Extension TeleNet System.

Reber will discuss the reasons for the current popularity of dietary supplements. Last year, Americans spent more than \$6 billion for supplements that contained a wide array of ingredients including vitamins, minerals, amino acids, herbs, and other botanicals.

Key provisions of the 1994 Dietary Supplement and Health Education Act that regulates the sale of supplements will be explained. He will also explore ways health professionals can help consumers evaluate dietary supplements.

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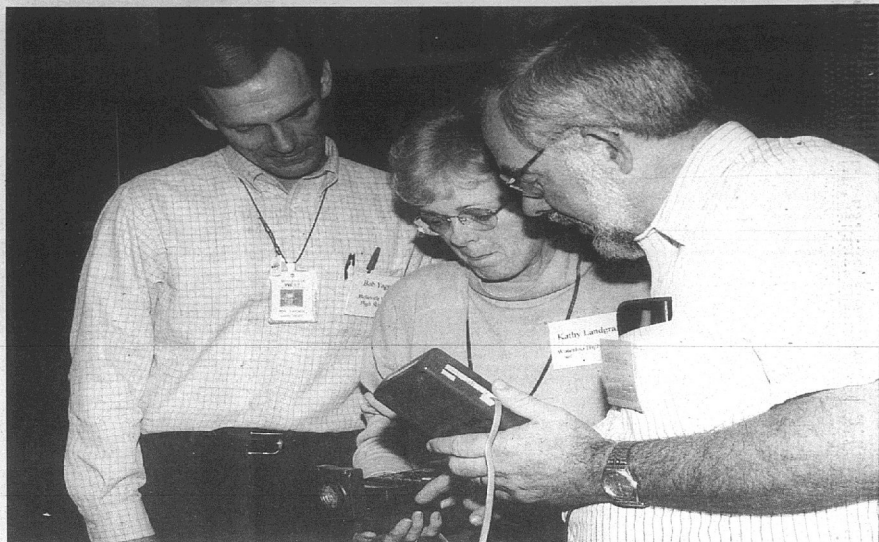
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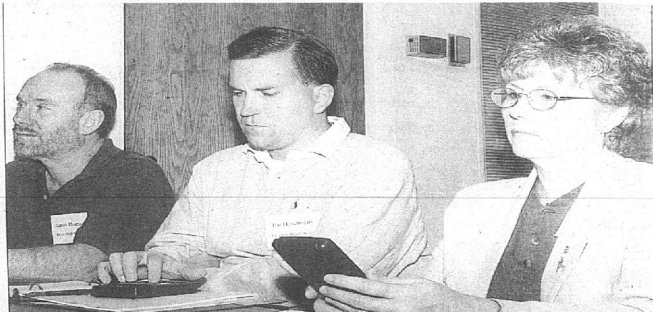
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## Crash course in calculators

At right, Belleville West teacher Bob Yagge, left, and Waterloo High School teachers Kathy Landgrat and Lloyd Wacker review the results of their assignment charting movement on a graphing calculator during the Connecting Math and Science Workshop recently held at Belleville Area College. High school teachers from Southern Illinois came together to learn about ways to use the calculators and related equipment in the classroom.



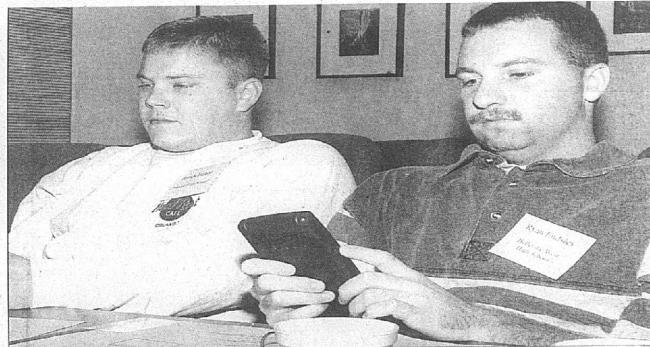
Granite City High School teachers Bill Puhse and Barry Grote do their homework with the help of Teachers Teaching With Technology trainer Aurelia Weil.



Duplo High School teacher James Thomas, from left, O'Fallon High School teacher Pat Hasenstab and Sparta High School teacher Martha House brush up on their skills.



Freeburg High School teachers Missie Steve and Greg Ferking concentrate on the task at hand.



Venice High School teacher James Fulton, left, and Belleville West teacher Ryan Endsley use their calculators.



At right, Granite City High School teacher Denise Albrecht and Coulterville High School teacher Gayle North put their heads together to solve a math problem. The workshop was hosted by BAC's Math Department with funding from the Belleville Area College Foundation Monsanto Fund and Texas Instruments.

BAC photos

# Computer course teaches students about alcohol abuse

By Sanford J. Schmidt  
Staff writer

A computer course at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville called Alcohol 101 is teaching students who have firsthand experience with alcohol about the dangers of using it.

The course, contained on a CD-ROM, teaches students the facts about alcohol through lively images, both still and on video, snappy one-liners and some of their own input.

Students who get in trouble using alcohol in the dorms are required to take the course as part of their probation, said Mary Byron, wellness coordinator at SIUE.

With some input about the student's weight, food consumption, age and drinking habits, the Alcohol 101 program can tell how long it would take to get their blood-alcohol content back to zero for different amounts of alcohol consumption.

Depending on what icon the student clicks on, he or she can view a video of the father of a college student who died in an alcohol-related accident, or find out the average alcohol consumption of students in a nationwide survey, among other topics.

"The students who take the course usually estimate the average male student takes 20 drinks a week and the average female, 10 drinks, but the actual number is seven and three," Byron said.

Byron said that is because the students who take the course are among other students who actually do drink as much as they estimate. Seeing the actual numbers may prompt thinking about

moving toward the lesser amount, Byron said.

Byron said the program, developed by the University of Illinois and The Century Council, provides physiological, psychological and legal information to help college students make responsible decisions.

The Century Council is a national not-for-profit organization funded by America's leading distillers and dedicated to reducing drunken driving and underage drinking.

"We're finding Alcohol 101 to be a powerful program to help students make informed choices," Byron said.

"The program gives students a set of practical behavioral tools to help them maintain personal safety and control in a wide range of situations. Using the program, they can make a wrong choice, such as drinking too much, and see what happens."

Usually it's not pretty. Then they can try again and this time make a responsible decision.

In the imaginary world of Alcohol 101, students end up at a raucous party, meeting new friends, learning a little about some of them and discovering the decisions and consequences regarding their use of alcohol.

Using the interactive video, audio music, graphics and text, the game encourages students to explore key issues often associated with alcohol misuse among college students.

The host of the program is a lava lamp named Norm, short for Positive Norming. Norm introduces students to the virtual reality bar where they can experiment with different

types and varying amounts of liquor to explore the impact of their drinking.

"We have a zero tolerance policy for underage drinking in our residence halls," Byron said. "A student who violates the policy is placed on residential probation and must complete and pass a fairly extensive test we've developed that accompanies the game."

She said the program may be extended to student orientations, become part of an athlete's training or be used by the general student population.

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Byron said the program appeals to young people. "It gets young people to listen. It's a fast-moving, multimedia experience consistent with how students have indicated they prefer to

receive information, particularly prevention education," she said. "Alcohol 101 allows young people to draw their own conclusions."

The program will be the centerpiece of SIUE's

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**By Tom Strongman**

Also new for 1999 is a Sport Package (\$3,990) designed by AMG. It includes 17-inch wheels and performance-oriented body work for the

A power, retractable hardtop gives all-weather protection, yet folds electronically into the trunk in just 25 seconds. Trunk space is

A large cup holder pops out of the center of the dash. Interior storage is limited in spite of various small cubbies.

The base price of our test car was \$40,000. Options included heated front seats, Sport Package and integrated CD changer and hands-free cellular phone.

The warranty is for four years or 50,000 miles.

## By Rick Stoff

also will be taken to special events across the country.

The St. Louis car was built in St. Louis from 1899 to 1905. Engineer George Dorris of the St. Louis Motor Carriage Co. used Timken bearings in some of the

The company purchased the car in February 1997. Two current Timkens ceremoniously removed its original rear-axle wheel bearings when the restoration began.

Henry Timken and two of his sons founded their company in 1899 and sold

three of their first bearings to Dorris. "Henry Timken told his sons never to put their name to anything they would have cause to be ashamed of," said W.R. Timken Jr. "I believe he was proud of his alliance with the St. Louis Motor Carriage Co."

A century after the company was founde

The 1904 St. Louis was offered in three models: a single-cylinder, nine-horsepower runabout; a single-cylinder, 10.5-horsepower tonneau; and a three-cylinder, 24-horsepower tonneau.

St. Louis Motor Carriage Co. moved to Peoria, Ill., in 1905, when Dorris' partner, John L. French, decided to take his money and the company name out of town. It went out of business there in 1907, with the French family admitting the company was "financially embarrassed."

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